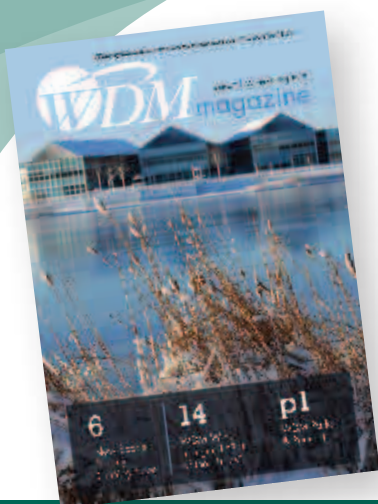




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- Grand Prize/Overall Winner: **\$100** and featured on the cover of a future edition of WDM Magazine.
- Category Winners: **\$50**

All submissions must be received by **June 1, 2019, at 4:00 p.m.**

Photographs must be entered in one of four categories that represent life in the City of West Des Moines:

- Living – Activities/Events
- Living – Plants
- Seasons in WDM
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For more information, please contact Mark Brewick at 222-3441 or Mark.Brewick@wdm.iowa.gov

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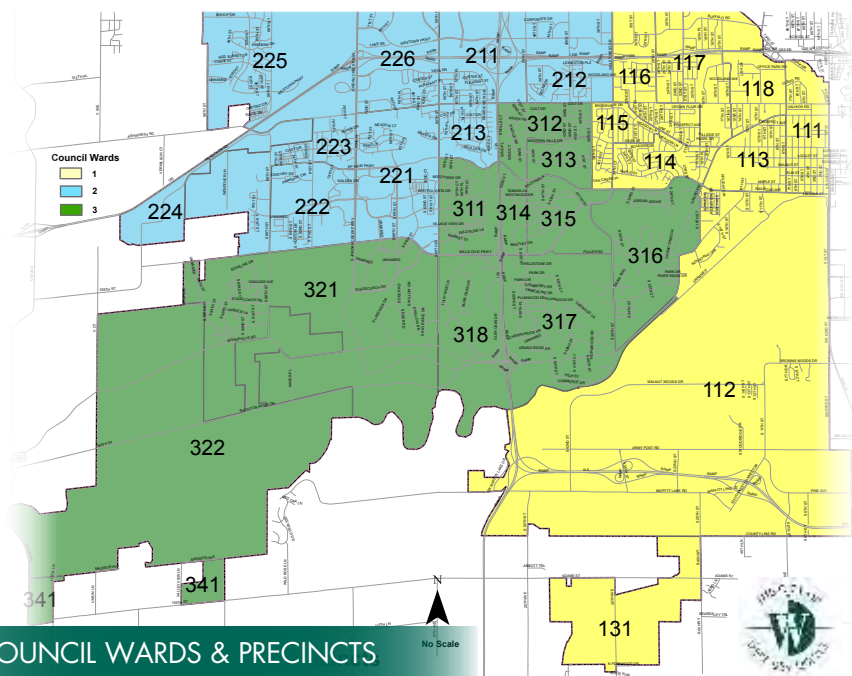
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I'm always amazed at how strong the momentum is during the winter months for many of our big initiatives.

A major source of excitement today is the MidAmerican Energy Company RecPlex, which was announced last summer. This proposed \$30 million facility will provide a much needed year-round sports facility for adults and children in central Iowa.

Plans call for the RecPlex to be located just west of Interstate 35 along the south side of Grand Avenue. The complex will be built with a mix of public funds from hotel motel tax revenue, grants, utility funds and private donations.

Studies show the demand for youth sports facilities is high, and this complex is sure to attract large numbers of people who will participate in or observe training sessions and tournaments. The RecPlex will feature ice hockey rinks, indoor and outdoor soccer fields, and court sports such as basketball and volleyball. In addition to the recreation benefits, the economic activity the RecPlex will also generate for West Des Moines' restaurants, stores and hotels makes it an ideal project for hotel motel funds.

We're also using grants and hotel motel revenue to support public art that enriches our community. In the spring, we can look forward to additional temporary exhibits at Art on the Campus, and we'll be able to enjoy the debut of the *Folded Flags* project that honors veterans along Veterans Parkway. We'll also soon be able to see enhanced City entrance signs that will be posted at various locations throughout West Des Moines.

Enthusiasm is also strong for our Five Waters Project, which includes a Civic Campus Amphitheater, a Boathouse at Raccoon River Park, a marathon trail loop, a Raccoon River greenway, and Raccoon River pedestrian bridges and a Great Western Trail Connection.

THE MAYOR'S COLUMN

We're actively seeking donations and sponsors for these wonderful additions to our community.

Our plans are ambitious, but all these projects set West Des Moines up for success, and they offer tremendous recreational venues and amenities for our residents and visitors.

Parts of Valley Junction also will experience new activity in the months ahead as we launch our broadband initiative with Microsoft that will increase connectivity for residents and students in the pilot project area. In addition, the City has awarded funding for ten redevelopment projects in Historic Valley Junction that provide a cumulative capital investment of more than \$1.7 million.

I also want to mention that for the 21st consecutive year, the Business Record named West Des Moines the Best City Government Conducive to Doing Business. The statistics tell the story – 2018 was the second highest year on record for total construction valuation since we topped the \$1 billion mark a few years ago. Year-end numbers put our total valuation at nearly \$533 million. We have active development in all four counties that comprise the City (Polk, Dallas, Warren and Madison).

It's no easy task to keep a rapidly growing City like ours running smoothly. In my experience, it takes extensive planning and working partnerships with key members of our community and an exceptional City staff. We're fortunate to work with so many committed groups of individuals who have a passion for what they do.

It won't be long before everyone will be able to enjoy some of these amazing additions to West Des Moines. After just a couple of months, it's clear that 2019 is shaping up to be quite a year!

Steven K. Gaer

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"I like knowing what's going on in my city and making a difference in my community."



Meet Lori Lavorato! She is a retired Des Moines police officer who brings a unique perspective to the West Des Moines Civil Service Commission. As a second term Commissioner, Lori's commitment to equality and fairness makes her

one of our standout volunteers. Thank you, Lori, for making our city government more transparent and a better place to work for our employees and staff.

When did you move here?

Lori: My husband and I moved here in 2005.

As a volunteer Civil Service Commissioner, what is the most important part of your job?

Transparency and fairness.

What is the purpose of the Civil Service Commission?

To provide a harmonious and efficient public service which protects the interests of the City of West Des Moines as well as its employees and to ensure the City is following all federal and state laws. We meet twice a month with the City Human Resources Department making sure that personnel management and policies and procedures are conducted fairly.

Do you also meet with city employees?

If a city employee would like to meet with the Civil Service Commission, we meet with them as well. We want to engender a positive workplace environment for everyone, which makes for happier employees and a more efficient government.

As a Civil Service Commissioner, do you ever get involved in hiring specific city employees?

We do participate in hiring some positions, such as the Fire Chief and the Police Chief, to ensure that the process is open, fair and in compliance with the law.

Lori Lavorato CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Why do you volunteer for the Civil Service Commission?

I want to make sure the hiring and management practices of the city are fair and that they comply with anti-discrimination laws. I like contributing to my community.

Are there any specific skills you need to serve on the Civil Service Commission?

A strong belief in justice and anti-discrimination, a commitment to donate your time, and some experience in government is helpful.

How do you apply to become a Civil Service Commissioner?

Go to the city website at www.wdm.iowa.gov and look for Board and Commissions in the Government menu, Mayor & City Council. Then click on apply to be considered for future Civil Service Commission openings. When there is an opening, you will be contacted. It's a Mayor-appointed volunteer position.

Do you volunteer in other organizations?

Yes. My husband, Nick, and I have two daughters – Talia and Giana – and I coach their softball teams.

Do you have a job?

After retiring as a police officer, I became a realtor and teach Criminal Justice at Des Moines Area Community College.

What's your guilty pleasure?

Watching "Forensic Files" and University of Iowa football, and treasure hunting at thrift stores.

What's on your bucket list?

Visiting all the different Civil War battlefields.

What is something most people don't know about you?

I can juggle and I can ride a unicycle.

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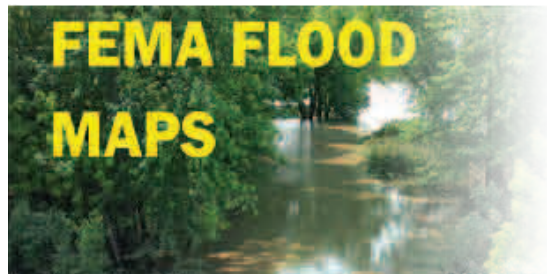
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FEMA Releases New Floodplain Maps for WDM

The City of West Des Moines participates in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) sponsored National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) so that property owners within the City are eligible to purchase federally backed flood insurance.

Visit our website at www.wdm.iowa.gov/FEMAmaps to see if your property is now in a floodplain according to the new Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMS) released by FEMA.

If your property appears to be in a floodplain according to the maps, and you do not have a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) from FEMA, it is suggested that you discuss the potential flood insurance considerations with your home insurance agent and/or mortgage lender.



Questions? Contact Rod VanGenderen at 222-3620 or Jeff Nash at 222-3475.

Attention West Des Moines!

Anyone who lives or works in West Des Moines is invited to complete our short online community surveys that will help us update our City's Comprehensive Plan.

Surveys will be posted every few weeks about eight topics that are important as we plan for the future growth of our community. All your answers will remain

anonymous. Just visit www.OurWDM.com and look for the Community Survey tab. Feel free to answer any of the surveys that are posted.

Thanks in advance for sharing your thoughts and ideas with us!



Cops N' Bobbers Fishing Derby

Celebrating **20 Years** of **REEL** Fun!

Join the WDM Police Department for the 20th Annual Cops N' Bobbers Fishing Derby at the City Hall Pond. Teams must consist of at least one child under 18 years of age and one adult (18 years old and up). Contestants must supply their own bait, tackle and poles. This is a catch and release event where participants will return all fish to the pond once they are measured. Prizes will be awarded in several categories.

Event Date

Saturday, June 8

Event Location

West Des Moines City Hall Pond
4200 Mills Civic Pkwy
West Des Moines, IA

Registration

Begins at 8:30 am

Fishing

From 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Prizes will be awarded

11:30 am



Look for us on Facebook (@CopsNBobbers and @WDMPolice).





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Spring Gallery Night	4/12
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Cinco de Mayo Festivale	5/4
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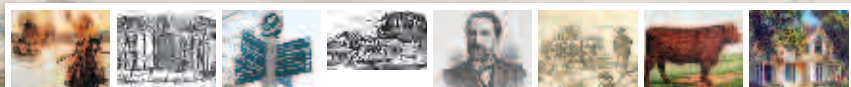
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On Tuesday, March 5, the voters of West Des Moines who live in Polk County will

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Due to a change in state law, this will be the first time West Des Moines residents have been able to cast a vote on such a measure without their votes being combined with those from neighboring communities.

What will this measure do?

If approved, the sales tax will increase in Polk County from 6 to 7 cents. In November 2017, voters approved a measure that increased the sales tax in Dallas County from 6 to 7 cents.

Who has a local option sales tax now?

In Iowa, 97 out of 99 counties and over 1,200 communities have a one-cent sales tax. Polk and Johnson are the only two counties that do not have a local option sales tax.

What items are subject to the sales tax?

The extra one-cent tax will only be collected on items currently subject to sales tax, such as retail sales, electrical or plumbing work and the delivery of goods and services (like furniture).

What items are not subject to the sales tax?

Items not subject to a sales tax include food for home consumption, prescription drugs, vehicles, gasoline, utilities, hotel/motel rentals and professional services such as medical or legal services.

Who pays the local option sales tax?

Anyone (residents or visitors) purchasing goods or services will pay this tax at retail establishments in Polk County.

What percentage of sales tax revenue in WDM comes from visitors?

Forty eight percent of the sales tax revenue generated in Polk County comes from visitors who purchase goods and services in West Des Moines, according to a *Retail Trade Analysis*

FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Report for Fiscal Year 2017, prepared by the Department of Economics at Iowa State University.

How much revenue will WDM receive if this measure is passed?

West Des Moines will receive approximately \$7 million annually based on estimated retail sales.

How will the funds be used?

As required by State law, 50% of the revenue will be applied directly to City property tax reduction for all property taxpayers in West Des Moines. All WDM residents can expect to see an overall 8% reduction in the City's portion of their residential or commercial property tax rate.

The other 50% of revenue will be applied directly to public safety (hiring 7 new police officers and 5 firefighters in the next fiscal year), additional public infrastructure improvements for transportation and traffic flow as well as flood control, quality of life initiatives such as the Five Waters Project, and a major refurbishment of the Public Library.

How many votes are needed for this to pass?

If residents vote 50% plus one in favor, this ballot measure would pass.

Do I need to show ID to vote this year?

Yes. Valid forms of ID include an Iowa Driver's License, Iowa Non-Operator's ID, Military ID, U.S. Passport, Tribal ID, Veteran's ID and Voter ID card.

Where can I get more information?

Visit our website at www.wdm.iowa.gov for additional information and links to the Secretary of State and the Polk County Auditor websites.

Tom Hadden

Tom Hadden,
City Manager

West Des Moines Community Foundation

SUPPORTING QUALITY OF LIFE

The West Des Moines Community Foundation (WDMCF) was created in 2007 in order to make a positive impact in our community. To date, the Foundation has received and is managing over \$1 million from families, individuals, businesses, the City, and Polk and Dallas Counties for our various funds to support artistic, cultural, recreational, historic, social and natural resources.

Grant Submissions Reviewed Quarterly

The Foundation serves as a catalyst for specific community projects and a champion for promoting quality of life within our city. This past year, grants have been awarded by the WDMCF to support a variety of community initiatives in West Des Moines, including:

- Crossroads Park PTA – Fine Arts Day
- Meals from the Heartland – WDM Schools meal prep event
- Nine Square Feet – Healthy Soil Workshop and produce exchange
- Tallgrass Theatre – Stage upgrade and Box Office upgrade
- WDM Chamber – Leadership Academy Scholarship
- WDM Historical Society – Jordan Scholars Program
- WDM Human Services – Grocery gift cards for the holidays
- WDM Parks and Rec – Bench in Raccoon River Park

Non-profit organizations serving citizens in West Des Moines are eligible to submit a grant to the WDMCF. Grants are reviewed on a quarterly basis by the WDMCF Board of Directors, and awarded on a selective basis, according to established bylaws and policies.



Donations (of any size) Always Welcome

Donations to the WDMCF are accepted through the Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines, which also administers and manages the five funds. No donation is too small.

WDMCF funds:

- General Pass-through Fund
- Special Interest Fund: Arts and Culture
- Special Interest Fund: Recreation and Trails
- Endowment Fund – maximum of 5% of endowment funds are available on an annual basis
- Quality of Life Fund

Donating to the WDMCF is a wonderful way to give back to the community and will help to preserve and improve the quality of life in West Des Moines for generations to come.

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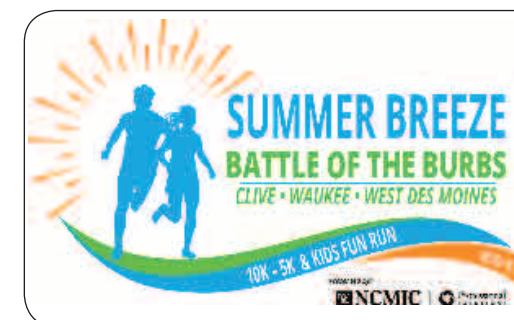
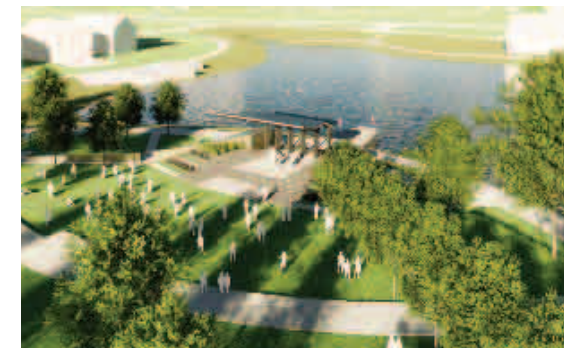
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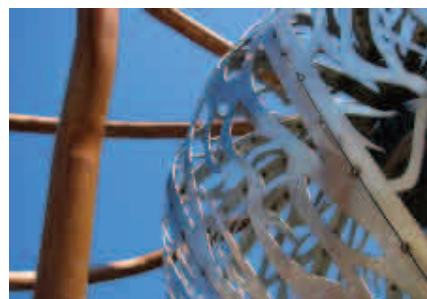
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WDM PUBLIC ARTS

New Permanent Artwork to be Placed in Ashawa Park

“Heartbeat of the Heartland” by Zach Bowman of Ankeny, IA

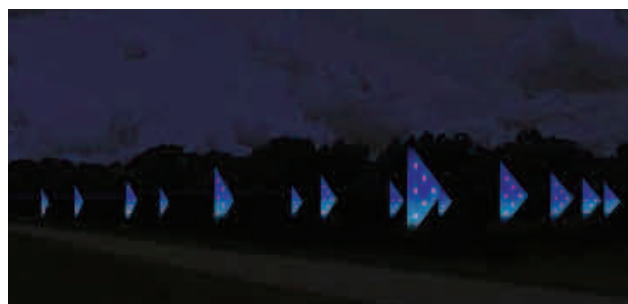
Artist Zach Bowman’s piece “Heartbeat of the Heartland” was featured in the 2018 Art on the Campus temporary exhibit. The West Des Moines Public Arts Advisory Commission has purchased the artwork to add to the City’s permanent art collection. “Heartbeat of the Heartland” will be placed in Ashawa Park (4431 Waterford Dr.) this spring. Bowman states, “It’s important to find something you’re passionate about. Growing up in rural Iowa, I am passionate about where I was born and raised. This sculpture is my way of expressing that passion. ‘Heartbeat of the Heartland’s’ lace-like pattern portrays Iowa as a central hub for food resources.”



Folded Flags Dedication Event

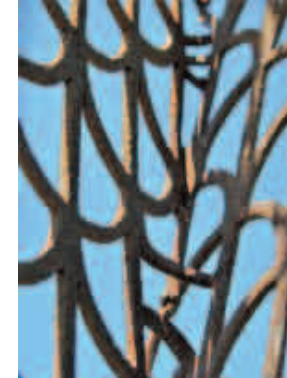
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Please join us on Flag Day as we dedicate the first installment of Veterans Parkway enhancements at the intersection of Brown’s Woods Drive and Veterans Parkway. *Folded Flags*, with its 15 individual standing folded flags will be installed in the spring of 2019. The City of West Des Moines collaborated with local veterans groups to create artwork that would honor veterans as well as be aesthetically pleasing and thought-provoking when viewed by the public. Partial funding for *Folded Flags* was provided by Bravo Greater Des Moines.



7th Annual ART ON THE CAMPUS Temporary Exhibit

Make sure to take a stroll around the WDM Civic Campus Pond to view the selected artworks in the Art on the Campus exhibit. The exhibit begins on April 15 and ends on November 15. Ten art pieces are part of this year’s exhibit. You can learn more about the artwork and artists at www.wdm.iowa.gov/AOC.



Discover Public Art with Mobile Audio Guide

The FREE Otocast app is your personal tour guide for public art in West Des Moines. Explore both the Art on the Campus exhibit and pieces in the City’s permanent collection with the voices of individual artists leading the way. Look for Otocast in the app store on your phone or mobile device, and use it at destination attractions all over the world.



With Otocast, you can:

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HOW IS PUBLIC ART FUNDED?

Annual funding for public art in West Des Moines comes from hotel-motel tax revenue dedicated by the City Council for that purpose.

THE WEST DES MOINES HISTORICAL SOCIETY



HISTORY AFTER HOURS

At The Jordan House Museum

6pm-7:30pm

Try something new with us on the third Wednesday of each month this year. Each evening features a tour of the Jordan House Museum and a themed activity. Space for most programs is limited to 15 people, and tickets are \$15 per person. They must be purchased in advance by calling 515.225.1286.

February 20: History in the Dark
Candlelight tour of the Jordan House

March 20: Ladies Night
Light appetizers with wine

April 17: White Glove Wednesday
The chance to don conservator's gloves and examine selected items more closely

May 15: Spring Into History
A focus on the tradition of May Baskets, including the chance to make your own

June 19: History Ala Mode
We'll make ice cream and enjoy it on the front porches of the Jordan House

July 17: Garden Party
Enjoy some classic yard games with tea

August 21: History and Art
We'll place an emphasis on the Jordan House's original artwork, conservation methods and how to hang works in a historic home

September 18: Toys and History
Geared towards the family, this tour will focus on the toys, games and crafts of the late 19th Century

October 16: History on the Hoof
Learn about the wild and domestic animals of early Iowa and make pinecone birdfeeders to take home

November 20: History on the Table
Learn about typical foods and menus for every day and special occasions. We'll make our own butter and have some delicious treats

December 18: History for the Holidays
Tour the Jordan House by candlelight and make Victorian ornaments

Tea Time at the Jordan House
(page p10 of the P&R Program Guide)



The Iowa Files
(page 41 of the magazine)



Jordan House Museum Public Tours

- Fridays & Saturdays
- 11:00am & 1:00pm
- Cost:

Adult (18+)	\$5
Youth (5-17)	\$3
Child (Under 5)	Free
- Tour Length: 1 Hour and 15 minutes

Private Rentals

- Jordan House or Bennett School
- 2 Hours
- \$150

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The West Des Moines Historical Society is a privately funded non-profit organization that relies on the generosity of its friends and supporters. We kindly ask you to help preserve the legacy of West Des Moines' history by becoming a West Des Moines Historical Society Member.

Become a member today by visiting the Society's website at www.wdmhs.org or by calling (515)225-1286.

Scrap Appliance & Metal Drop-Off

SPRING: Saturday, June 8 | FALL: Saturday, Sept. 14

8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

The perfect time for an appliance and metal drop-off event is the weekend AFTER Spring Cleanup! Sometimes residents forget that appliances aren't accepted during Spring Cleanup. If that happened to you, or if you're a WDM resident and just have scrap appliances and/or metal items to dispose of, bring them to the West Des Moines Public Services facility located at 560 S. 16th Street on Saturday, June 8th and September 14th from 8:00 AM until Noon.

These items will be accepted – FREE

Air Conditioners (all sizes)	Dishwashers	Ice Makers	Saws
Batteries, Lead Acid	Dryers	Metal - Most anything	Speakers
Blenders/Mixers/Toasters	DVD Players	Metal Shelving	Stereo systems
Calculators	Exercise Equipment	Microwaves	Stoves
Cameras, Camcorders	Fans	Mowers - Riding	Vacuums
Cell Phones	Fax Machines	Mowers - Walk Behind	VCRs
Chillers	Freezers (no food)	Phones	Video Game Systems
Computer Towers, Servers	Furnaces	Pots, Pans, Electric Skillets	Washers
Condenser Units	Garage Doors & Openers	Printers	Water Coolers
Copiers	General Scrap Metal	Refrigeration Units	Water Heaters
Dehumidifiers	Humidifiers	Rooftop AC Units	Water Softeners (no salt)

These items will **NOT** be accepted –

Anything with food in it	Garbage	Paint	Wood
Chemicals	Light Bulbs	Plastics	

Televisions and Monitors are accepted at a **COST**. Cash or Check Only

Note: Residents participating in City-provided solid waste collection may dispose of TVs and monitors of any type by putting them at the curb by 6AM on their normal collection day with the appropriate \$5 sticker(s). Contact the City's hauler, Waste Connections, at 265-7374 to make the arrangements. The TVs/monitors will be landfilled vs. recycled. TVs and monitors are accepted during Spring Cleanup at no cost in 2019, the first week of June.



\$15.00 Each TV or Monitor
\$30.00 Each Console or Big Screen

No paper shredding service will be provided by the City due to the variety of privately sponsored paper shredding events in our area throughout the year.

H & W Recycling is partnering with the City of West Des Moines in this collection event. If you have any questions, please call the Public Services Department at 222-3480.

Visit us on the web at www.wdm.iowa.gov

Clip & Save!

2019 Solid Waste EVENTS

FOR WEST DES MOINES RESIDENTS

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Yard Waste and Annual Spring Cleanup events are available to all West Des Moines residents who are eligible for City-provided solid waste collection.



April 1

Yard Waste Pick-Up

Begins on normal trash collection day

April 13

Scrap Tire Drop-Off

- 7:30 AM – 4 PM
- WDM Public Services

May 23

Nat'l Public Works Week Celebration

- 4 – 7 PM
- Valley Junction

June 3 – 7

Spring Cleanup

On your normal trash pick-up day.

No appliances. See June 8 event.

June 8

Scrap Appliance, Metal Drop-Off

- 8 AM – Noon
- WDM Public Services

Sept. 14

Scrap Appliance, Metal Drop-Off

- 8 AM – Noon
- WDM Public Services

Nov. 30

Yard Waste Pick-Up Ends

**Dec. 30 –
Jan. 10**

Winter Yard Waste & Christmas Tree Collection

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Options: Visit <https://www.mwatoday.com>

For more information visit www.wdm.iowa.gov or call WDM Public Services at **222-3480**

2019 **SPRING CLEANUP** June 3-7



West Des Moines Residents'
regular garbage pickup days

Rid your home of items that do not fit in your garbage cart

Simple Spring Clean-Up Rules

Garbage Limit:

You can set out as much as will fit in the bed of one pickup truck

Weight limit:

If it's reasonable that two people could lift the item, then it's accepted.

What items ARE accepted?

Household items that don't fit in your cart.

Examples of ACCEPTED Items:

Carpet (small rolls)
Couches
End Tables
Fans
Grills
(with propane removed)
Lamps
Mattresses
TV's / Monitors



If you're unsure whether an item is accepted, call your garbage hauler & ask!

Waste Connections

515-265-7374

Make sure things you wish to dispose of are to the curb for pick-up on your normal garbage collection day the week of June 3 - 7:

- No earlier than 5:00 PM the day before pick-up.
- By 6 a.m. the day of pick-up.

It's tempting to put items out earlier, but doing so could result in a violation, and you may find yourself cleaning up after people who help themselves to your items.



Visit us on the web at www.wdm.iowa.gov

These items will NOT be accepted:

- Animal Carcasses
- Appliances
 - Air Conditioners
 - Dehumidifiers
 - Dishwashers
 - Dryers
 - Freezers
 - Furnaces
 - Microwaves
 - Refrigerators
 - Stoves
 - Washers
 - Water heaters
- Asphalt shingles over 40 lbs. in total weight
- Bagged or boxed items. (These may be put in your garbage cart year-round or with a \$1 Extra Trash sticker.)
- Banned substances such as
 - Lead
 - Acid
 - Batteries
 - Waste oil
 - Explosive material
 - Medical waste
 - Drugs
 - Poisons
 - Highly combustible material
 - Paint
 - Any other toxic or hazardous substance
- Concrete chunks (ALL SIZES)
- Glass – no windows, mirrors, doors
- Home improvement/landscaping items
- Propane tanks
- Tires
- Vehicles and/or major auto parts
- Wooden playsets, fencing
- Yard waste

What to do with your

Appliances?

Bring them to the next Scrap Appliance & Metal Drop-Off event:

**Saturday, June 8th
September 14th**

8AM – Noon
WDM Public Services
560 S. 16th Street

Tires?

Bring to the next Scrap Tire Drop-Off event

**Saturday,
April 13, 2019
April 2020**

7:30 AM – 4PM
WDM Public Services

Other Items?

Go to:

www.whereshouldgo.com
and type most any item in "search" for disposal options.

SPRING CLEAN-UP NOTE:

Please be mindful: If items are not hauled away by the spring cleanup crew because they are unacceptable (eg. appliances, tires, or if they are not at the curb by 6:00 AM the day of pick-up); it is the resident's responsibility to properly dispose of these items using normal solid waste guidelines. This also applies to unfortunate incidences of items being dropped off by others. Residents are responsible for all items on their property.



BECOME A WEED WARRIOR

Assist the City of West Des Moines with maintenance of bioswales located in West Des Moines parks.

Bioswale: a multi-purpose stormwater management practice that provides an environmentally friendly alternative to storm sewers. By using a permeable soil bed and perforated subdrain tile, bioswales infiltrate water from frequent, small rains (1.25 inches or less). During heavy rains, bioswales convey runoff in a non-erosive manner.



With bioswales being used more frequently in park planning and landscape design, maintenance of plant species and control of weeds in bioswales has become a more time and work-intensive task. Because the use of herbicides kills not plants around bioswales, nuisance weeds need to be hand pulled or cut. This, of course, takes time, energy, and commitment.

Weed Warriors (neighborhood volunteers) are needed to help maintain bioswales in specified WDM parks. Weed Warriors will be taught how to identify and remove weeds in the bioswale. Weed Warriors must commit to yearly training led by Parks Maintenance staff, as well as to hands-on weed management in their selected bioswale at least two (2) times between May 1 and September 30 each year. Parks Maintenance staff will create a “prescription” for the management of each bioswale. This “prescription” will identify weeds that should be pulled, plants that should remain in the bioswale, the frequency of hand pulling, and instruction on proper management methods and techniques. Other duties may include placement and raking of mulch and/or control of volunteer trees.

Park bioswales included in the Weed Warrior program currently:

- Wild Rose Park (6801 Cody Drive)
- Valley View Park (255 81st Street)
- Fairmeadows Park (543 22nd Street)
- Woodland Hills Park (1230 South 95th Street)

If you are interested in becoming a Weed Warrior, please contact the WDM Parks and Recreation Department at 515-222-3444 or by email at parkrec@wdm.iowa.gov.



West Side Stories Podcast

It's official...the West Des Moines Parks and Recreation Department has a podcast! Subscribe now to the West Side Stories podcast to hear a monthly episode featuring the staff and friends of the department. You will gain insight and hear stories about the nitty gritty of how the Parks and Recreation Department serves the citizens of West Des Moines. Topics range from park planning and how special events are planned to boards and commissions and cemetery management. Episodes are released the first Friday of each month. You can learn more about the podcast, its host, and episode guests at www.wdm.iowa.gov/WestSideStories.



eARTH Day Exhibition

Calling all artists who are called to care! Submit your original artwork that brings awareness to ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, whether local or global, to the first-ever eARTH Day Exhibition. Use your artistic talents to show our community why you care about the earth and why they should, too.

Your artwork will be shown in a pop-up exhibit at the EARTH DAY FAMILY FUN event hosted by the West Des Moines Parks and Recreation Department's GREEN TEAM on Saturday, April 20



from 10:00-12:00pm at City Hall. All submitted artwork will be shared on the Parks and Recreation Department's social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram) and website as well.

Cash prizes will be awarded for the top artwork in each of the following categories. Winners will be selected in both YOUTH and ADULT divisions.

1. Photography
2. Painting/Drawing
3. Digital Composition
4. Written Word

Contact Allison Ullestad, Recreation Coordinator, at 515-222-3455 or at Allison.Ullestad@wdm.iowa.gov for further details about submitting your artwork.

COMMUNITY COMPLIANCE CORNER

As we look forward to the spring transformation of brown dormant lawns to beautiful green, we'll soon be moving from shoveling snow to mowing lawns. West Des Moines neighborhoods, and City Code requirements, are a reflection of the pride our residents take in our beautiful City. Our Community Compliance

Specialists work with residents to help ensure that issues not in compliance with City Code are addressed.

The following are some issues the Community Compliance Specialists will be looking at to ensure a well-kept community:



Junk in general should be properly removed from the property and never placed on the right of way until the day prior to a scheduled pick up (with appropriate solid waste stickers).



Trees and shrubs must have vertical clearance of:

- eight feet (8') between the surface of a sidewalk, trail or other pedestrian way and the lowest branch, and
- fourteen feet (14') from the surface of a street to the lowest branch.



Inoperable/Obsolete vehicles. All vehicles must have current plates and be able to start and travel down the road. They must also be free of broken windows and have air in the tires. Vehicles may only be parked on a hard surface. If vehicles do not meet all these requirements they must be placed in a garage or hauled away.



Weeds, grass, or vegetation reaching the height of 10" or more.

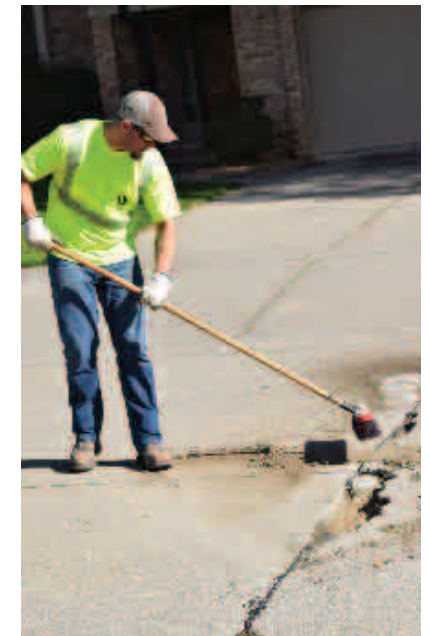
If you have a code compliance concern, please contact 222-3480 during the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, report on the City's website using the Online Service Desk, or enter a request on YourGOV from your cellphone or PC.

POTHOLES

Pavement definitely feels the effects of the winter season and temperature fluctuations as spring develops. Even as Public Services crews actively seek out potholes for repair, new potholes will appear elsewhere during a busy spring season. That's why we appreciate when residents let us know of a pothole issue.

If you would like to report a pothole (or any other non-emergency issue), you have several options to report the concern:

- Download the YourGOV app on your phone to report the issue and send a photo if you wish.
- Go to the Online Service Desk on the City's website at www.iowa.gov.com or type YourGOV in the search box. Click on the "+" to add a request.
- Call Public Services at 515-222-3480.



City employee repairing a pothole

Horticulture in our Midst

The beautiful creations designed, planted and maintained by our City's Horticulture Division are new and fresh every year throughout the City. Enjoy!

These photos are from last year to compare with what you'll soon be seeing. Later this spring when the planters are completed in Valley Junction you'll be able to scan a QR code on the planters to see exactly "What's In The Planter"? Or

visit <http://www.wdm.iowa.gov/government/public-services/forestry/what-s-in-the-planters>



2019 Sidewalk Program

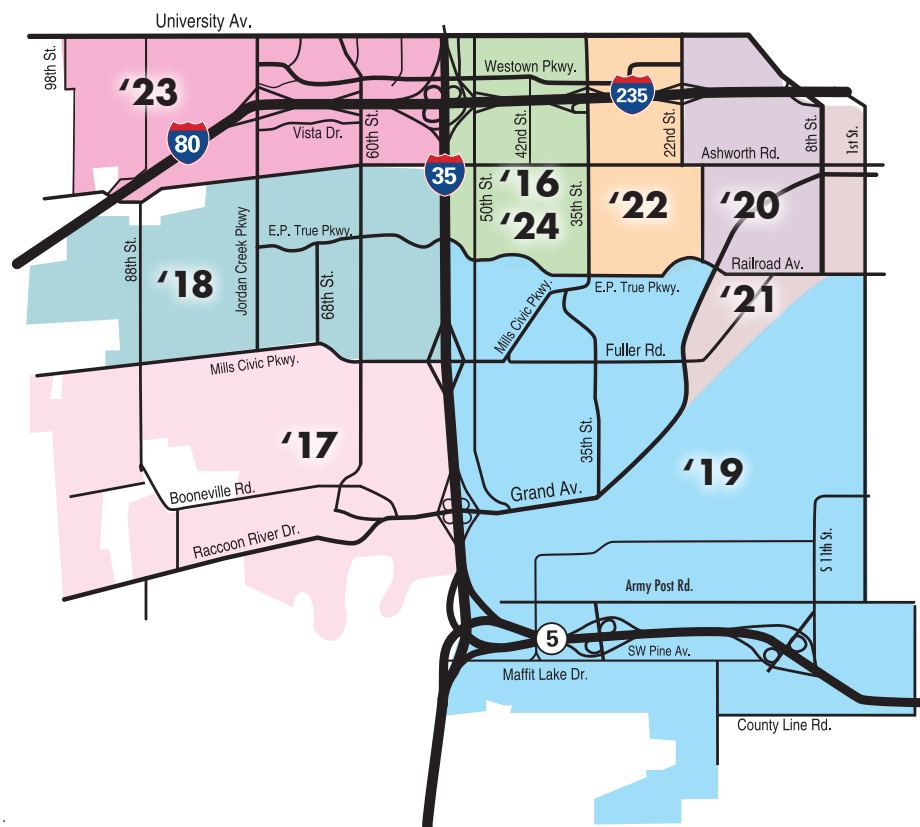
The City of West Des Moines offers an excellent transportation system for vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians. The number of residents walking, jogging and enjoying our neighborhoods steadily increases.

Our annual sidewalk program is an important means of reviewing the condition of existing sidewalks throughout the City on a rotating basis every eight years. A map (shown below and available on the City website) indicates the areas and schedule for inspection of sidewalk conditions.

Notices of defective sidewalks are sent to the owner of record according to the

County Assessor's office or, if a townhome or condominium complex, the Registered Agent according to the Secretary of State's office. The property's responsible party has the option to repair individual sidewalk defects on their own, or they may elect to have their sidewalks included in the citywide repair project. If repairs are not made within the period of time specified (generally 75 days), the City will proceed with the identified repairs and bill the property owner or responsible party.

This sidewalk program helps protect pedestrians who actively use the sidewalks, and property owners from liability issues. More information is available on the City's website.



National Public Works Week Celebration

May 23 • 4pm – 7pm

North end of the Valley Junction Farmer's Market | 300 Block of 5th Street

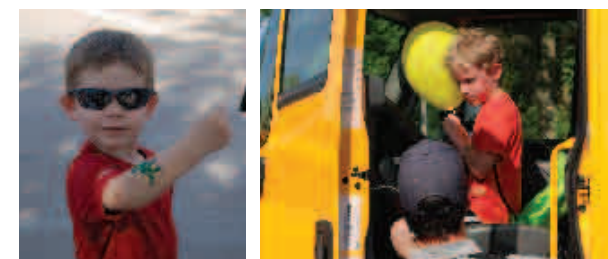
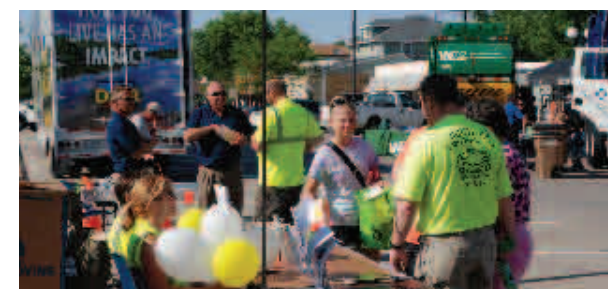
Back again this year! Iowa DNR is bringing their Mobile Education Exhibit, equipped with touch screen computer games and interactive displays.

The name of West Des Moines' Public Works Department has been changed to "Public Services," but we're still in the same family of professionals!

Come join us for a celebration of the Public Works/Services men and women in North America who provide and maintain the infrastructure and services of our communities.

This event is not just a FREE FUN FAMILY EVENT, it's an opportunity to learn!

Come for the fun, and ask questions on emerald ash borer, solid waste collection, plowing snow, repairing streets, Community Compliance, City horticulture, park maintenance, inspecting sewers . . . anything Public Services related!



Become a Master Recycler

Want to be the best recycler on your block? Here is the guide to MASTER the art of recycling and help the Curb It! recycling program thrive throughout the Metro!

• Follow the recycling guidelines.

Although it's tempting to toss every kind of plastic, paper, and metal in the green cart, some items are simply not recyclable. For something to be accepted in the Curb It! program, it must be able to be sorted and sold.

Metro Waste Authority is constantly looking for new opportunities, but there are just some items that don't have buyers...yet. If you need a refresher of what can be recycled, check out the recycling guide at www.WhereItShouldGo.com.



• Keep it clean.

Give your items a quick rinse before tossing them in your recycling cart. This helps keep recyclables free from contamination and ensures products are desired by businesses that want to purchase recyclables for new uses.

• Buy products made from recycled material.

A great way to support recycling is to buy items made from post-consumer products. Purchase power is one of the most influential ways to show companies you want to support a sustainable recycling program.

You make all the difference in your recycling program. Once you master these guidelines, pass them on to your neighbors and friends. Together, we can create a positive impact on the recycling world!

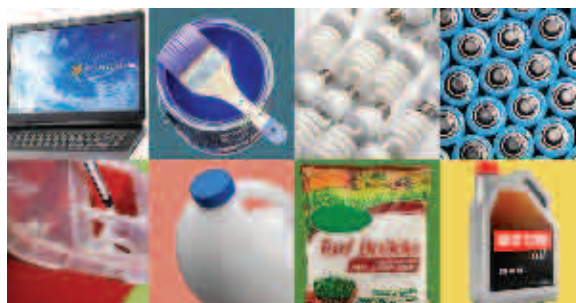
Hazardous Waste in your House!

While it might be obvious to be careful with bleach, do you know what to do when you're done with it?

Bring it to Metro Waste Authority!

You take precautions to put cleaners in high or locked cupboards away from kids, and everyone knows you shouldn't pour motor oil down the drain.

Knowing what's hazardous in your home is important. But when it comes time to get rid of things like bleach, antifreeze or bug spray, it's important to know where it should go.



Hazardous waste can be brought to Metro Waste Authority drop-off sites located in Bondurant and Grimes.

Common household items like bleach, rechargeable

batteries, oil-based paints, lawn chemicals such as fertilizers or weed killer, old motor oil or gasoline, and energy efficient lightbulbs (CFL) are all accepted for free.

West Des Moines residents who have Metro Waste Authority garbage and recycling can request houseside pick up of hazardous items for a fee.



Yard Waste: Compost It!

The Compost It! program picks up yard waste throughout the Metro. Curbside collection starts again April 1, 2019. The program accepts small twigs and branches, leaves and lawn clippings, as well as any garden vegetation. Just avoid dirt, mulch, rocks, and food.

yard waste bags or stickers. When using store-brand bags a Compost It! sticker must be added for collection.

For more information, call Metro Waste Authority at 515.244.0021 or visit www.WhereItShouldGo.com.

For collection:

Tag it: Brush bundles and store-brand bags require a green Compost It! sticker for collection. Bundles can be no larger than four feet long by 18 inches in diameter.

Bag it: Put loose yard waste such as lawn clippings, leaves, and garden vegetation in Compost it! bags or store-brand bags with a green Compost It! sticker.

Wheel it: Throw accepted items in your Compost It! cart and take it to the curb. Carts can be purchased at Public Services and require an annual subscription. If you're using more than 65 Compost It! bags per year, a cart may be for you!

Retailers sell Compost It! bags and stickers throughout the Metro. For curbside collection, use Compost It! brand

Curbside Yard Waste Collection

Season starts April 1, 2019



TAG IT

BAG IT

WHEEL IT

Accepted yard waste:

Small twigs and branches | Leaves and lawn clippings | Garden vegetation



515.244.0021
www.WhereItShouldGo.com



WDM SHADE CRUSADE 2019

Residential Tree Sale

Join the City in our crusade to increase West Des Moines' tree diversity and urban tree canopy! Four hundred high quality native trees (valued at approximately \$60 to \$120 each) are being made available to residents of West Des Moines through the second annual residential tree sale. Residents will pay \$30 per tree. The remainder of the cost of the trees will be paid by the City. Due to City funding, all participants must be West Des Moines residents and must agree to plant the tree(s) on residential property within the City limits. There is a limit of up to two trees per household.

1. Go to www.wdm.iowa.gov/ShadeCrusade before April 20. The sooner you sign up, the better your chance of receiving your tree of choice.
2. Select your tree(s) and make payment (\$30 per tree) online.
3. Contact Iowa One Call by dialing 811 or by going to <http://www.iowaonecall.com/homeowners> by April 24th to set up a time to schedule underground utility locates on your property.

4. Pick up your tree(s) and take part in tree planting and care demos at WDM Shade Crusade 2019.

Date: Saturday, April 27
Time: 8:00 am to 10:00 am
(demos every 30 minutes starting at 8:30 am)
Location: WDM City Hall, 4200 Mills Civic Parkway

Note that any tree not claimed by 10:00 am will be resold or planted by the City on public property. No warranty is provided. No refunds or replacements.

5. Plant your tree(s) right away, and be sure to share your tree planting photos on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram with the hashtag #wdmshadecrusade.

To learn more about the available tree species and **WDM Shade Crusade 2019**, go to www.wdm.iowa.gov/ShadeCrusade

NEW THIS YEAR: TREES CAN BE PURCHASED DAY OF TREE SALE

- Sales limited to tree varieties and quantities that remain after pre-purchase sales
- Number of trees available per person may be limited

CLOSING YOUR BEDROOM DOOR AT NIGHT COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE

Most of us have a nightly routine that we follow before climbing into bed, but a study from UL (Underwriters Laboratories) shows most folks skip a very important step. Nearly 60% of people sleep with their bedroom door open.

In the event of a fire in your home, sleeping with your door closed at night could save your life. A fire needs oxygen to burn. A closed door keeps more oxygen in the room and away from the fire. Closed doors can slow the spread of flames, reduce toxic smoke and gas, improve oxygen levels and limit damage to your home. A closed door can also mean reducing 1,000 degrees down to 100 degrees.

With the increased use of synthetic materials in furniture and construction,

fire spreads faster than ever before. Because of this, the average time to escape a home fire has gone from 17 minutes to just three minutes or less.

Start making it a habit to close not only your own bedroom door at night, but your kids' rooms as well. It's also a good time to test your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, check your home for potential fire hazards and review your family's escape plan. These small safety measures could make all the difference.



FISHEYE VIEW OF TRAFFIC



The Traffic Division of Public Services is using a new technology to detect vehicles and bicycles at intersections in West Des Moines. The detection system uses a single camera pointed straight down toward the intersection. A fisheye lens provides a full view of the intersection and the traffic. Detection zones are drawn on the image of the intersection. When vehicles or bicycles enter the detection zone, the signal controller knows that someone wants the green light on that approach. The detection system also collects traffic count data at the intersection. This detection system is currently installed at 17 signalized intersections.

Adopt a Park, Trail or Street in West Des Moines!



Are you tired of seeing trash in a park, on a trail, or along a street near your home? Are you ready to do something about it?

Now you or your local group can adopt one of West Des Moines' parks, trails or streets and help make a difference in your community! Resources needed to accomplish a cleanup will be provided by the City. After your group has officially adopted a park, trail or street, a sign will be placed to recognize your sponsoring group.

For more information or to sign up online, go to <http://www.wdm.iowa.gov/i-want-to/sign-up-for/volunteer-opportunities>.

Funding for these projects provided by Metro Waste Authority.

STORM WATER FLOW

Unimproved Roads

West Des Moines is certainly an eclectic City with the best of urban, suburban and rural aspects. The yellow Public Services trucks and equipment are often visibly at work along the miles of pavement. You'll also see them along areas of unimproved roads in both rural and urban areas. Sediment carried by storm water can eventually impede the flow of water, requiring crews to clear culverts and drainage ditches next to unimproved roads. Using an excavator, crews dig out the sediment and reshape the ditch to properly

channel the water. The slope of the ditch is groomed to provide the least amount of future erosion during storms. Performing this task also helps improve drainage from the road itself.

These photographs from an area near 8th Street show Don Tuel operating the excavator and Keith Licht driving the truck that will haul the excess sediment away from the site. Keeping storm water flowing is just one critical area of maintenance performed by our Public Services crews.



CARING FOR OUR LAWNS



Spring! We've been waiting for you! As spring is approaching, our focus will again turn to taking care of lawns and open spaces. Please remember that lawn care products applied by residents or lawn care companies can overspray onto streets, driveways, sidewalks, and alleys. Rainfall washes fertilizers, pesticides, and herbicides off these paved areas and into the storm sewer where it directly enters our streams and rivers, causing pollution.

Never dispose of clippings, twigs or other yard waste near waterways or sewers. This organic material will break down and reduce oxygen levels in the water, endangering fish and other aquatic life!

Your actions have a direct effect on aquatic life and water quality of our streams and rivers.

Thank you for doing your part to help protect our environment!

When to Water; When to Wait; When to Worry

Although your lawn essentially sleeps the gray winter away, soon we will be seeing new, green growth awakened.

In Central Iowa, we typically enjoy

adequate rainfall in the spring, but the hot, dry days that follow can take their toll on grass as well as flowers and vegetable gardens.

Turfgrass can remain dormant for up to four to six weeks in the summer without significant damage to the plants, says Richard Jauron, Iowa State University Extension Horticulturist.

“Dormancy is a natural survival mechanism for turfgrasses,” he says. “While the leaves have turned brown and died, the turfgrass roots and crowns remain alive.”

THE IDEAL TIME

Nonetheless, a brown lawn is something most West Des Moines residents strive to prevent.



The 2012 drought demonstrates the difficulty with watering in the face of grueling heat. In a typical summer, the worst mistake homeowners can make is to water just a little, often. Deep, soaking, less-frequent watering makes for healthier grass.

“The ideal time to water a lawn is at the first signs of water stress,” Jauron points out. Healthy, hydrated turfgrasses are dark green in color. But for cool-season grasses, such as bluegrass, “the first signs of stress

are a bluish-green color and footprints that remain in the turf after walking across an area,” Jauron explains.

Most lawns need 1 to 1 1/2 inches of water per week. Jauron advises applying this in a single application, or if that’s not possible, in two applications, 3 to 4 days apart.

The worst watering mistake is frequent, light applications.

This promotes shallow rooting and lush growth, which, effectively, makes for wimpy grass.

To determine the amount of water applied by the sprinkler, push three or four rain gauges into the soil within the spray pattern. The average of the gauges provides a good estimate of the amount of water applied to the lawn.



When it comes to watering your lawn, timing is important. The best time to water is between 5 a.m. and 9 a.m

“Summer and particularly July and August are what we refer to as ‘peak usage’ months,” notes Josh Heggen, acting general manager at West Des Moines Water Works. “A graph of our annual usage looks like a bell curve with June, July and August forming the top of the bell.”

Within these months of increased usage are other peaks: On Monday mornings starting at 3 a.m., a host of automated sprinkler systems turn on generating a peak usage time that initially had Mitch Pinkerton, WDMWW water production manager, scratching his head.

A NEW PEAK

“We expect water use to go up dramatically in the early evening when people get home and start cooking dinner and doing laundry. We didn’t expect such high usage in the middle of the night,” he says.

Pinkerton surmises that people don’t want to water on the weekends, so those who

have automated sprinklers set them for Monday morning.

“It’s not just us,” Pinkerton adds. “All water utilities are experiencing this trend. And, considering the number of homes being built with sprinkler systems, it will continue.”

Jauron urges homeowners to stay away from afternoon and night sprinkling. Early morning — but maybe not Monday at 3 a.m. — is the best time to water the lawn, allowing the water to soak into the soil with less evaporation. Watering later in the day is less efficient because evaporation is rapid. Plus, strong mid-day winds may carry water just about everywhere but where you want it.

It’s best not to run the sprinklers in the evening either. “Watering lawns in the evening may increase disease problems as the grass foliage remains wet through the night,” Jauron warns.



All City service requests can be directed to the Online Service Desk at
www.wdm.iowa.gov

EMERGENCY 911
Non-Emergency Dispatch 222-3321
ADA Coordinator 222-3603
TDD/TTY 1-800-413-4955
Aquatic Centers 273-0700
Ambulance Billing 273-0652
Animal Control 222-3364
 250 Mills Civic Parkway
Animal Licenses See WestPet
Better Business Bureau 243-8137
Birth Certificates See Vital Records
Building Safety/Inspections 222-3630
 developmentsservices@wdm.iowa.gov
 Business License Info. 1-800-532-1216
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Election Office
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 • Madison County 462-3914
 • Warren County 961-1020
Electrical Service See Utilities
Emergency Medical Services (EMS) 273-0768
 EMS Billing 8055 Mills Civic Parkway
 CPR and Public Access Defibrillation Classes
 ems@wdm.iowa.gov
Farmers Market (VJ Foundation) 222-3642
Finance Department 222-3600
Fire Administration 222-3420
 3421 Ashworth Road • fire@wdm.iowa.gov
Gas Service See Utilities
Hazardous Waste
 Regional Collection Center 967-5512
Holiday Pool 273-0700
Housing Rehabilitation Program 273-0770
Human Resources 222-3616
Human Rights Commission 222-3675
Human Services 222-3660
 139 6th Street • humanservices@wdm.iowa.gov
 Senior & Disabled Transportation, Energy
 Assistance, Food & Clothing Pantry, Homeless
 Prevention
Illegal Waste Disposal 725-0268
 http://www.iowadnr.gov
 State Dept of Natural Resources industrial or major
 hazardous waste and chemical spills.
Minor/Household Spills 222-3321
Job Hotline (City of WDM) 222-3616
 www.wdm.iowa.gov
Library 222-3400
 4000 Mills Civic Parkway • library@wdm.iowa.gov
Legal Department 222-3523
 4200 Mills Civic Parkway
Marriage Licenses See Vital Records
Mayor's Office 222-3610
Motor Vehicle License Plates/Registration
 • Dallas County 993-5812
 • Polk County 286-3030
 • Madison County 462-1542
 • Warren County 961-1111

Visit us on the web at www.wdm.iowa.gov

Nature Lodge 222-3424
 Raccoon River Park 2500 Grand Ave.
One Call Underground Utility Lines
 811 OR 1-800-292-8989
Parks & Recreation 222-3444
 parkrec@wdm.iowa.gov
Parking Violations (non-moving) 222-3600
Passports 1-877-487-2778
Permits
 • Oversize Moving Permit
 publicservices@wdm.iowa.gov 222-3480
 • ROW/Excavation Permits (Sidewalk)
 Engineering Services 222-3475
 • Street/Lane Closures
 publicservices@wdm.iowa.gov 222-3480
Planning & Zoning 222-3620
 developmentsservices@wdm.iowa.gov
Police Administration 222-3300
 police@wdm.iowa.gov
Police/Fire/EMS/Dispatch (Westcom)
 • Emergency 911
 • Non-Emergency 222-3321
 250 Mills Civic Parkway
Post Office 255-6471
 430 5th St. WDM 50265 • usps.com
Property Tax
 • Dallas County 993-5808
 • Polk County 286-3060
 • Madison County 462-1542
 • Warren County 961-1110
Public Services 222-3480
 publicservices@wdm.iowa.gov
Public Transportation See DART
Recycling – Curb It!
 Waste Management www.wm.com
 Missed Pickup/Questions 244-7336
Recreation Programs 222-3444
Rental Housing Inspector 222-3630
 developmentsservices@wdm.iowa.gov
Senior Citizen Meals 274-0373
Sewer Stoppages/Repair 222-3480
 publicservices@wdm.iowa.gov
Shelter Rentals (Parks & Rec) 222-3444
School Districts
 • Norwalk
 981-0676 • www.norwalk.k12.ia.us
 • Van Meter
 996-2221 • www.vmbulldogs.com
 • Waukee
 987-5161 • www.waukeeschools.org
 • West Des Moines
 633-5000 • www.wdmcs.org
Social Security Offices 800-772-1213
Street Light Outages
 MidAmerican Energy 1-888-427-5632
Street Repairs/Cleaning 222-3480
 publicservices@wdm.iowa.gov

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Taxes See Property Tax
Tickets Moving Violations
 • Dallas County 993-5816
 • Polk County 222-3772
 • Madison County 462-1542
 • Warren County 961-1032
Parking Violations (non-moving)
Finance 222-3600
Traffic Signals/Street Signs 222-3480
 publicservices@wdm.iowa.gov
Trash Collection 265-7374
 Waste Connections • www.wasteconnections.com
Tree Planting Permits 222-3417
 publicservices@wdm.iowa.gov
Utilities Mid American Energy
 Gas & Electric 1-888-427-5632
 EMERGENCY 1-800-595-5325
 One Call Line Locator 1-800-292-8989
 www.midamericanenergy.com
Valley Junction Activity Center .. 222-3440
Valley Junction Foundation 222-3642
Vehicle Registration
 See Motor Vehicle License Plates/Registration
Vital Records
 • Dallas County 993-5804
 • Polk County 286-3781
 • Madison County 462-3771
 • Warren County 961-1089
Voter Registration
 • Dallas County 993-6914
 • Polk County 286-3080
 • Madison County 462-3914
 • Warren County 961-1020
Iowa Elections Division 281-8849
Water Treatment Plant 222-3465
 1505 Railroad Ave.
West Des Moines Water Works.. 222-3460
 Water/Solid Waste, New Service, Service
 Changes/Maintenance.... 1505 Railroad Avenue
 www.wdmww.com • waterworks@wdmww.com
Westcom
 • EMERGENCY 911
 • Dispatch Non-Emergency 222-3321
WestPet 273-0651
 Animal Licenses • www.westpet.org
Yard Waste – Compost It!
 Waste Management www.wm.com
 General Info/Questions 1-800-796-9696
 Missed Pickup 1-800-796-9696

Persons with disabilities are encouraged to participate in City activities. Those individuals seeking City services and in need of special accommodations should either contact the department sponsoring the event or the ADA Coordinator.

WDM Public Library



Mission Statement: The WDM Public Library is a relevant and integral part of the community. The library enriches the lives of residents by providing convenient and timely access to information and ideas; by offering engaging activities and opportunities for personal and professional growth; by promoting a love of reading and learning; and by remaining responsive to the changing needs of its users.

WDM Library *Adult Programs*

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

All programs are held in the WDM Library Community Room unless otherwise indicated. All programs are free and require registration unless otherwise indicated. Registration dates are in brackets. You may register for most programs online at www.wdmlibrary.org.

PARENTING PROGRAMS

BABIES ON THE MOVE

Thu at 10 am: Apr 4, May 2, Jun 6, Aug 8 • 1 mo-18 mo & Parent

PARENT QUEST

1st Fri 11-noon: Apr 5 | May 3
• Parents of babies/toddlers/preschoolers

See Youth Programs section for details.

PAPERCRAFTS C.L.U.B.

Sat 10 am-4 pm: Apr 6, May 4, Jun 1, Jul 6, Aug 3

Be it scrapbooks, holiday cards, book folding, or coloring, we welcome all papercrafters! Bring a project and your own supplies (no sales at the event). We'll provide snacks and cutting tools. Sponsored by the WDM Library Friends Foundation. Registration preferred.



TECH: ONE-ON-ONE

10-11:30 am: Apr 9 & 23, May 7 & 21
| 3-4:30 pm: Apr 17, May 15

If you have a specific computer, mobile device, or other technology related questions, we're here to help! Sign up for assistance on setting up an email account, downloading eBooks, Word and Excel basics, online job applications, using online resources, and more. You may bring your own device; however, staff is unable to troubleshoot or diagnose malfunctioning computers or devices. 30-minute sessions. Basic computer/mouse skills assumed. Registration required.

COLOR CONNECTION: ADULT COLORING CLUB

2nd Tue 2-4 pm • Millie Knee Classroom

Apr 9, May 14, Jun 11, Jul 9, Aug 13

Guaranteed to cure rheumatism, chill blains, toothache, and warts! Okay, not really, but it IS relaxing and FUN! Bring your own supplies or use ours. Make the color connection! Sponsored by the WDM Library Friends Foundation. Registration preferred.

WDM Library *Adult Programs*



THE IOWA FILES: A HISTORY SERIES

Sun | 2:30-3:30 pm

The WDM Historical Society presents an Iowa history series at the WDM Public Library. Ages 18 & up. No registration.



WEST DES MOINES
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Preserving the past for the future.

Apr 14: REFUGEES & IMMIGRANTS IN IOWA –
Presenter Zeljka Krvavica

May 19: EXPLORING IOWA & ITS HISTORIC GEMS – Presenter Dan Kaercher

BEADING BASICS

Tue, Apr 16 | 6:30 pm • Millie Knee Classroom

Learn to wire wrap as we create a pair of earrings. Must see well enough to thread a needle and be able to follow step-by-step instructions. Sponsored by the WDM Library Friends Foundation. Registration required.

FRIENDS 4TH ANNUAL WINE & CHEESE AROUND THE U.S.

Fri, Apr 19 @ 6 pm • Raccoon River Nature Lodge

Sample wines and cheeses from around the country during our annual Friends fundraising event. See our website for event details and information on the Friends Iowa Author Series. The WDM Library Times program flyer is also available in the library. 222-3403 • wdmlibrary.org

CHECKMATES: CHESS & BOARD GAME CLUB

4th Thu 6:30-8 pm: Apr 25, May 23, Jun 27, Jul 25, Aug 22

For those who know the basics, we'll provide chess sets and feature a different board game each month. No Nov/Dec Checkmates due to the holidays. Sponsored by the WDM Library Friends Foundation. Ages 6-adult. Registration preferred.



Visit us on the web at www.wdmlibrary.org

ADULT SUMMER READING CLUB: A UNIVERSE OF STORIES!

Mon, May 20 – Fri, Jul 26

You could earn prizes by reading (or listening) to books! Reading logs and book review forms available online and in the library. See page 48 for details. Sponsored by the WDM Library Friends Foundation. 222-3403 • wdmlibrary.org

PUZZLETIME

Tue, 2-3:30 pm: Jun 18, Jul 16 • Millie Knee Classroom

Do you like word searches, crosswords, or other word games? Join other "enigmatologists" like yourself for refreshments, friendly chit-chat, and non-competitive word games – or just bring your coloring book along! Ages 18 & up. Registration preferred. 222-3403 • wdmlibrary.org

QUICK & EASY HOLIDAY CARDS

Tue: 2-4 pm | Jun 25 [6/3] | Jul 23 [7/1] • Millie Knee Classroom

For this afternoon program, we'll make three simple thank you, thinking of you, or birthday cards. Friends sponsored. Ages 18 & up. Registration required.

WDM WRITER'S CLUB

2nd & 4th Sat @ 10 am • Millie Knee Classroom

Informal meetings for accomplished or aspiring writers – share any form of writing and offer/receive constructive criticism. Call for details. 515.222.3413

WDM Library *Book Discussions**Sponsored by the WDM Library Friends Foundation***YA NOT CLUB READ****2nd Thu @ 6:30 pm: Apr 11, May 9,
Jun 13, Jul 11 | Locations TBA**

If you're a "grown-up" who loves YA (Young Adult) books, WHY NOT join us for YA NOT Club Read – the not-so-serious book club? Books are distributed at the meetings. Remaining copies are available at the front desk. Anyone who has read the book is welcome. Registration required. courtney.bench@wdm.iowa.gov • 515.222.3403 • wdmlibrary.org

CLUB READ**Tue @ 6:30 pm • Millie Knee Classroom****May 7***What Was Mine* by Helen Klein Ross**Jun 4***Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate**Jul 2***The Immortalists* by Chloe Benjamin

Books are distributed at the meetings. Remaining copies are available at the front desk or you may bring your own copy. Registration preferred.

CLUB READ SOCIAL**Tue | 6:30-8:30 pm | Apr 2, Aug 6
• Community Room**

Make new friends! Discover new authors! Bring an appetizer or dessert to share and we'll each talk about our top three reads since the last Social. Newcomers welcome. Registration preferred.

SILENT CLUB READ**Mon: Apr 1, May 6 | 6:30-8 pm
6:30 pm: Social Time | 7:30 pm:
Silent Reading • Millie Knee Classroom**

Take time for YOU. We'll have beverages or you can bring your own covered drink. Spend a few minutes chatting about books with other bibliophiles, then relax with the book of your choice. Give yourself permission to sit back and soak in the quiet. Registration preferred.



Support Adult Programs When You Join The Friends!

Friends memberships pay for many ADULT programs and services: Club Read and YA Not Club Read, Holiday Cards, Color Connection, Papercrafts C.L.U.B., Adult Summer Reading Club, Beading Basics, Iowa Author Series, Open Computer Lab, iPad lending, and more.

Donations are tax deductible!

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WDM Library *Book Discussions*

EARLY LITERACY

"Early literacy is what children know about reading and writing before they actually learn to read and write. It is not the teaching of reading, but is laying the foundation for reading so that when children are taught to read, they are ready." – from Early Literacy Storytimes @ Your Library by Pamela Martin-Diaz and Saroj Nadkarni Ghoting.

Why is Early Literacy important?

Acquiring early literacy (pre-literacy) skills before school leads to reading achievement and academic success. Children who enter school with well-developed early literacy skills are ready to learn to read.



What are the Six Early Literacy Skills?

1. Letter Knowledge – knowing the names and sounds of letters; recognizing that the same letter can look different (upper vs. lower case, different fonts)
2. Narrative Skills – being able to describe events and tell stories
3. Phonological Awareness – the ability to hear and play with the smaller sounds that make up words
4. Print Awareness – noticing print; the ability to handle a book; understanding how to follow the words on a page
5. Print Motivation – showing interest and enjoying books
6. Vocabulary – knowing the names of things

What can YOU do to help your child?

- Allow your child time to talk while you listen attentively
- Encourage your child to handle books and "tell" you the story
- Provide an atmosphere that is fun and language rich
- Read often and make reading time an enjoyable time
- Read, sing, talk, and play with your child
- Write and color with your child to develop fine motor skills

How can the WDM LIBRARY help?

- Ask a librarian for suggestions
- Use our recommended reading lists to find materials your child may enjoy
- Check out library materials to use at home
- Attend age appropriate library programs (see our Storytime Series)



Storytime Series

Advance registration is required [date in brackets] and begins at 9 am.

Programs are held in the Library Storyroom unless otherwise indicated. Storytimes are FREE! Register online, in person, or by phone. youth services | 515.222.3405 | wdmlibrary.org

Daycares with more than five children, please call the Youth Services Desk for information about programming for groups.

Our youth services STAFF are trained in early childhood development. Programs focus on early literacy skills and fun!

STORYTIMES offer an age-appropriate selection of books or stories; felt-boards; music and movement; interactive fingerplays and rhymes; puppetry and/or crafts.

MOTHER GOOSE TIME

6 mo-2 yrs w/adult

Simple stories, gentle tunes, flannel boards, and nursery rhymes. Registration required.

Mon @ 9:30, 10 & 10:30 am:
Apr 8, 15 & 22 [4/1]

LAPSIT LAMBS

1 mo-18 mo w/adult

Language rich activities designed for pre-walking babies. Includes play ideas that are easily integrated into baby's everyday routine. Registration required.

Tue @ 9:30 & 10:30 am:
Apr 9, 16 & 23 [4/1]

May 14, 21 & 28 [5/6]

Thu @ 9:30 & 10:30 am:
Apr 11, 18 & 25 [4/1]
May 16, 23 & 30 [5/6]

ACTIVITIES reinforce pre-reading skills: • body part identification • counting • rhythm • sensory stimulation • fine/gross motor skills • animal sounds • creative play • and more – so preschoolers can become successful readers! Build a lifelong love of books and reading at the library!

DROP-IN FAMILY STORYTIME

0-6 w/adult

Stories, songs, and interactive fingerplays. No registration!

Mon @ 6:45 pm:
Apr 8, 15 & 22

Wed @ 9:30 & 10:30 am:
Apr 10, 17 & 24

DROP-IN OLIVER'S PUPPY TALES

0-6 w/adult

Enjoy stories and more with little Oliver, followed by gross and fine motor play. Library Community Room. No registration.

Thu @ 10:30 am:
Apr 11, 18 & 25

Fri @ 10:30 am:
Apr 12, 19 & 26

1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

0-6 yrs & Parents

Read to succeed! The best and the brightest have parents who read to them. Track the time YOU read with your child. When you reach 1000 books, pick up a free book for your home collection! Register anytime online.



youth PROGRAMS

Many of our events fill quickly and have a waiting list. Please let us know a.s.a.p. if you are unable to attend a program. If you do not arrive within 10 minutes of the start time, your spot will be offered to the next person on the waiting list.

All youth programs are free and most require advance registration, which begins at 9 am on the date in brackets.

Programs are held in the Library Community Room unless otherwise indicated.

Register in person, by phone, or online.

youth services | 515.222.3405
wdmlibrary.org

KIDS CLUB READ

If you like to read and talk about books, this group is for you! Join us for discussion and activities related to each month's book. Sign up at the Youth Services Desk.

1st Thu | 4:15 pm | ages 8-12

Apr 4 – Wings of Fire by Tui T. Sutherland
May 2 – The Magic Thief by Sarah Prineas

PARENTING PROGRAMS

BABIES ON THE MOVE

Thu at 10 am : Apr 4 [12/3] | May 2 [4/1] 1 mo-18 mo & Parent

Parent/child programs. Enjoy moving and grooving with our littlest library patrons! Registration required.

PARENT QUEST

1st Fri 10 am | Parents of babies/toddlers/preschoolers

Parents learn while their children play with Imagination Playground blue blocks. Presented by Jessica Pierce, Early Childhood Parent Educator, WDMCS Community Education. Refreshments provided. Registration required.

Apr 5 [3/4] Coping with Criticism –

Criticism is a fact of life and how you handle it can seriously affect your self-esteem. Let's take a look at how we can feel good about our parenting choices.

May 3 [4/1] Healthy Meals & Snacks for Summer – Ellen Davis, Hy-Vee Sports Dietitian, will give tips on summer meals and snacks.

TEEN GROUP SERVICE PROJECT (GSP)

1st Wed | 3-5 pm: Apr 3, May 1 | ages 14-18

If you need volunteer hours, we need responsible students to do various library projects and tasks. No experience necessary, but positions are limited! For more information contact wdmlibraryvolunteers@wdm.iowa.gov.

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (TAB)

2nd Wed (May-Sep) | 3-4 pm | ages 12-18

Apr 10, May 8 • Millie Knee Classroom

Earn volunteer hours AND make the library a better place for teens! TAB members give input in teen activities and young adult materials; host fundraisers for teen programming; participate in community activities; help with youth programs; and more. Stop by a meeting or pick up an application today!
515.222.3405 | youths@wdm.iowa.gov

WDM WRITES POETRY NIGHT

Thu, Apr 11 | 6:30 pm | all ages

Celebrate National Library Week and Poetry Month with a live poetry reading event! Winners from the 2019 WDM Writes Poetry Contest will share their winning works. Everyone is welcome!



WDM Library *Youth Programs***AFTER SCHOOL LEGO ADVENTURES****Wed | 3:45 pm: Apr 17 [4/1] | May 15 [5/6] | ages 5-12**

With LEGOs you can build anything, so have an exciting afternoon at the library. Who knows what you might create? Registration required.

WDM COMMUNITY READS AUTHOR VISIT WITH LAURIE HALSE ANDERSON**Wed, Apr 24 | Time TBA**

Mark your calendars! Laurie Halse Anderson is coming to town for an evening presentation open to the community. More details will be announced soon. Proudly presented by West Des Moines Community Schools, West Des Moines Library, and West Des Moines Rotary Club.

WORD.**Wed, Apr 24 [4/1] | 3 pm | ages 12-18**

Word is a monthly hangout for teens. Some months we will create. Some months we will build. Some months we will eat snacks or watch a movie. Every month it will be rad. Come to Word this month. Registration required.

CHECKMATES: CHESS & BOARD GAME CLUB**4th Thu 6:30-8 pm: Apr 25, May 23, Jun 27, Jul 25, Aug 22 | ages 6-adult**

For those who know the basics – we'll provide chess sets and feature a different board game each month – or bring your own! To learn the game, see Ben Munson's Chess Club below. Sponsored by the WDM Library Friends Foundation. Registration preferred.

BEN MUNSON'S CHESS CLUB**Mon | 6:30 pm | all ages**

Offered most Mondays, this is a non-competitive environment for playing chess, learning chess or discussing all things chess. Program is not monitored by Library staff. See library calendar for specific dates. No registration.

MAY BASKETS**Tue, Apr 30 | 10:30 am | ages 0-6**

Tra la...it's May! So come to the library and make May baskets to share with your friends. Registration required [4/1].

SHAKE, RATTLE & ROLL**Thu, May 9 & Fri, May 10 | 9:30 am (ages 1-4) | 10:30 am (ages 2-6)**

Bop into to the library to rock'n'roll, do The Stroll, twist and shout, sing it out...in this upbeat music and movement program. Registration required [5/6].

HOTSPOTS

Check out "HotSpots" from the WDM Library! HotSpot devices provide password-protected wi-fi access in places where it might not otherwise be available, like road trips, campgrounds, etc. Available to WDM residents, ages 18 & up, with WDM Library cards in good standing (no lost items or fines). Users are financially responsible for lost or damaged HotSpots. 515.222.3403



If You Enjoy our Youth Programs, Please Join The Friends!

- Friends memberships pay for many library youth programs throughout the year.
- During the 2017-18 Fiscal Year, the library offered 574 children's programs with 34,526 attendees.
- Memberships provide incentives to the 2500 youth participating in Summer Reading Club; SRC encourages readers to keep learning over the break!

YOUR DONATION IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE!**WDM Library Friends Foundation**4000 Mills Civic Pkwy, WDM, IA 50265 • 222-3407 • wdmlibrary.org**SUMMER READING CLUB 2019**

Reach for the stars! Our Summer Reading Club (SRC) encourages reading and learning for ALL ages (babies–adults). This year's theme is A Universe of Stories! – and it's sure to be out of this world! Register and pick up your reading log at the youth services desk, or sign up and print online at wdmlibrary.org.

Sign up for ALL Summer Reading Clubs begins
Mon, May 20.

May 20 – Jul 26**A UNIVERSE OF STORIES!**

As always, our SRC programs would not exist without the support of the WDM Library Friends Foundation.

ONE PASS, FOUR ADVENTURES

WDM Library users with a card in good standing may check out passes to four local attractions: The Blank Park Zoo, Greater Des Moines Botanical Gardens, Living History Farms, and Science Center of Iowa.

See our website for more information.
wdmlibrary.org/advpass





Benefits of Summer Reading Club:

- Motivates children to read.
- Develops positive attitudes about reading, books, and the library.
- Maintains reading skills over the summer vacation.
- Provides access to experiences that further their sense of discovery.
- Offers opportunities to work cooperatively with others.

Summer Reading Club 2019

YOUTH SUMMER READING CLUB

Ages 0-18 are invited to enter cosmic contests; complete your reading goals at warp speed; and end the summer with a big bang at our final party (Sat, Jul 27). Pick up your reading log at the youth services desk, or register and print online.

YOUTH PROGRAMS:

You're the captain of your own starship when you chart (plan) your summer schedule around the library's special events. Meet the challenges of Survivor; discover alien creatures at our Blank Park Zoo visits; celebrate Harry Potter's birthday; and more! Don't let your summer fall into a black hole! Sign up for library programs a.s.a.p. on registration days listed below. Check our website at wdmlibrary.org for more information.

June program registration begins Mon, Jun 3 |
July program registration begins Mon, Jul 1
Register in person, by phone, or online.
youth services • 515-222-3405 •
wdmlibrary.org

ADULT SUMMER READING CLUB

Adults (18+) share the same summer reading theme! Enter weekly prize drawings – just for reading (or listening) to books! Set a course for the library to pick up your Reading Log and Book Review Forms. Also available online.

ADULT PROGRAMS:

Crawl out of that crater and put on your asteroid belt! We're over the moon about our adult summer programs. Celebrate the spectrum at Color Connections: Adult Coloring Club; make three Quick & Easy Cards at the speed of light; or explore the final frontier at PuzzleTime - with theme-related word searches, refreshments, and friendly intergalactic chitchat! For more details, check our website.

Due to the popularity of our programs, registration for events often fills quickly and has a waiting list. If your student does not arrive for a program within the first 10 minutes of the event's start time, we will invite others from the waiting list to take his or her spot.

WDM Library *services*

Questions?
Call 222.3400

All services are **free** unless otherwise indicated.

LIBRARY HOURS

(Labor – Memorial Day)

Mon-Thu: 9 am–9pm | Fri: 9 am–6 pm

Sat: 9 am–5 pm* | Sun: 2 pm–5 pm*

*SUMMER HOURS

Sat: 10 am–4 pm | Sun: Closed

Call or check our website for holiday hours.

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GET A LIBRARY CARD...IT'S FREE!

Present a valid ID with proof of current address. Residents of WDM, DSM, Ankeny, Clive, Urbandale, and Windsor Heights may apply. Cards are valid for three years (no renewal fee).

WDM LIBRARY.ORG

Access the library 24/7 from the comfort of home. See today's news and events on our homepage; search for items in our catalog; check your account; renew materials; use online databases; sign up for programs; make a donation; or visit blogs for Kids, Teens, and Adults.

MY ACCOUNT

BY PHONE OR ONLINE

Use your library card barcode and pin number to access "my account login." See titles checked out/due dates; requested items/wait list positions; and overdue materials/charges accrued. Renew all items or individual titles if you have the barcodes.

515.225.1576 • wdmlibrary.org

WE TAKE RESERVATIONS (ITEM REQUESTS)

Request items by phone or online from your account. We'll let you know when it's ready to pick up. If we don't own it, we can usually get it for you within a short time. Long wait list? Don't worry. We buy one copy for every six book reserves.

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MOBILE ACCESS

Browse the library catalog, hold or renew a book, check your account, find events, and more with any internet-connected mobile phone. Search your app store for West Des Moines Library and download. It's free.

515.222.3400 • wdmlibrary.org/app





RESEARCH

REFERENCE TOOLS

From our homepage, find links to great websites, listed by category: Life Links; Books, Music and Entertainment; Hobbies and Interests; Local Interest; Government; General Reference; and Travel and the Outdoors. Got a question? We can help!

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DATABASES

We have a variety of electronic resources available in the library; most are also accessible from home. We have 40+ online exclusive services to choose from on our website on a variety of topics, i.e. business, genealogy, periodical searching, readers' advisory, travel, hobbies, and more.

515.222.3403 • wdmlibrary.org/databases

USING THE LIBRARY

E-CONTENT

The library has eBooks and eAudiobooks, plus digital magazines, graphic novels, and eComics! Bridges, Flipster, World Cinema Collection, InstantFlix, and more. Get details online or at the Reference Desk

515.222.3403 • wdmlibrary.org

PUBLIC MEETING & STUDY ROOMS

Available for public use at no charge: small rooms for 8 people, Millie Knee Classroom (20), Community Room (60). Call for guidelines/reservation details.

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HOMEBOUND DELIVERY: WE MAKE HOUSECALLS!

If you are a WDM resident, unable to come to the library for health reasons, and interested in receiving regular monthly visits from a volunteer, give us a call.

515.222.3400 • wdmlibrary.org

BOOK CLUB COLLECTION

The library has multiple copies of past Club Read titles available for local book clubs to borrow. See our website for titles list. Advance reservations required.

• **515.222.3585 children's titles**

• **515.222.3410 adult titles**

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CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Check our online calendar for events and descriptions. Searchable by event type and age group. Selecting an event will link to the online registration form (if required). You may also register in person or by phone.

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Our community library is fortunate to have the support of the WDM Library Friends Foundation – a volunteer-based, non-profit organization. Each year, the Friends contribute \$12,000 to library programming. In addition, Friends Memberships funded these special projects:

• Rotating Outreach Collection • Outreach Van • TaleTrail • Charging Stations • BookPage Subscription • Laptop Lab • iPads • Artwork • Flannel Board • Summer Reading Clubs • and More!

WDM LIBRARY FRIENDS FOUNDATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Contributions mean more programs and more books for YOU!

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FRIENDS FOUNDATION: GIFTS & MEMORIALS

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ABOUT THE LIBRARY

MORE THAN BOOKS

Your library is more than a warehouse for books. It's a place to meet, discover, relax, and enjoy a variety of reading, viewing, and listening materials.

TECHNOLOGY & EQUIPMENT

Available for use in the library: photocopier, fax, interactive storybooks, word processing, free Internet and wireless access. Overhead projector and iPads available for checkout. Hate long lines? Try a 3M SelfCheck machine! **515.222.3400 • wdmlibrary.org**



KIDS TEENS ADULTS

LIBRARY BLOGS

From our homepage, click on KIDS, TEENS, or ADULTS and select BLOG. Get the latest program updates, book lists, staff picks, reading/literacy tips, and more.

YOUTH SERVICES

The first floor Youth Services Department includes books for babies through 6th grade, as well as audiobooks, music, movies, magazines, puzzles, and puppets. Our kids' area is equipped with train, lightbox, and Lego Duplo tables which encourage creative play. You'll find Young Adult (YA) materials upstairs, along with comfy seating and study tables. For info on programs and activities, drop in or check out our website.

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WDM LIBRARY TALETRAIL

From the library through the tunnel to Ashawa Park, the *TaleTrail* features kiosks that slowly reveal a children's story. Sponsored by private donations and the *WDM Library Friends Foundation* in memory of Dr. Robert C. Brooks. New tales quarterly.

DRIVER'S LICENSE RENEWAL KIOSK

Renew your Iowa driver's license at the library! The DOT kiosk issues a temporary document; the new license or ID will be mailed to the user. Credit/debit cards accepted; no cash. Available during library hours. See our website for details and restrictions. wdmlibrary.org/using-the-library/iowadot-drivers-license-renewal-kiosk



WDM Human Services

"The ♥ of the Community"

WDM Human Services has been helping community members since 1979. As a department within the City of West Des Moines, WDM Human Services provides necessary assistance to low-income, elderly and disabled individuals in our service area. Basic needs such as food, clothing, shelter, transportation and emergency financial assistance are a few of the critical services provided by WDM Human Services. For 40 years, we have provided assistance to community members during emergency situations to ensure their well-being and to improve their quality of life. WDM Human Services partners with members of the community to provide support and assistance. If you would like to help us meet our community need, please call 273-0633.



Human Services Mission:

"To provide opportunities for citizens to improve and enhance their quality of life and sense of community through the programs and services available."

TRANSPORTATION

description	contact/ location	dates days/times	eligibility/ qualifications	fee
APPOINTMENTS Transportation is available for necessary medical appointments, recreational group trips, Human Services referral trips and for other trips as time allows (i.e., grocery store, bank)	Trans. Supervisor 222-3661	M – F 8am – 4pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seniors (60+), disabled and low-income residents of WDM Reservations must be made by noon, two business days in advance 	donations encouraged
SENIOR DINNER CLUB Seniors (60+) have the opportunity to enjoy each others dining company while at one of our local restaurants.	Trans. Supervisor 222-3661	First Tuesday of each month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WDM senior residents (60+) Reservations must be made by noon, two business days in advance 	Cost of your dinner Transportation FREE (donations encouraged)

CITIZENS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

FRIENDSHIP CONNECTION

Friendship Connection is a program for adults with special needs.

Human
Services
Staff
222-3665

Thursdays
10am –
11:30am

• Adults with
special needs

NONE




Friendship Connection

Friendship Connection is offered every Thursday from 10:00am to 11:30am through WDM Human Services at various locations throughout the community. Participants socialize, play games, sing and have fun! Organizations throughout the community also make special presentations on occasion. To learn more, or to register as a participant, volunteer or presenter, please call 222-3665 or visit our website at www.wdm.iowa.gov/HumanServices.



FOOD

WDM Human Services *programs*

description	contact/ location	dates days/times	eligibility/ qualifications	fee
DMARC FOOD PANTRY Food is available at WDM Human Services for households in need.	Human Services Staff 222-3660	M 8:30am - 3pm T 8:30am - 3pm W 8:30am - noon TH 8:30am - 3pm F 8:30am - noon 2nd & 4th Tues of each month 4 pm - 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must provide ID for all household members 	NONE <i>Funding for this program is provided by USDA which is an equal opportunity employer.</i>
HOLIDAY FOOD ASSISTANCE Food assistance for the holidays is available to eligible WDM households.	Human Services Staff 222-3660	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk-ins welcome Deadlines apply - see website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WDM resident Proof of income Proof of address ID required for all household members 	NONE
BREAD DISTRIBUTION Donated bakery items are available weekdays for households in need.	Human Services Staff 222-3660	M - F 9am	NONE	NONE
SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM The state of Iowa and WDM Community Schools provides a free summer lunch program to ensure children from low-income homes receive adequate food while not in school.	Human Services staff 222-3660	Lunches served M-F, beginning in June - See website for dates, times and locations.	All children 18 years or younger 	FREE for children 18 years or younger
GARDEN PROGRAM Offset the cost of food by growing your own garden.	Human Services Staff 222-3660	M 8am - 3pm T 8am - 3pm W 8am - noon TH 8am - 3pm Registration begins in April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WDM resident Proof of income Proof of address ID required for all household members 	NONE

HOUSEHOLD ASSISTANCE

description	contact/ location	dates days/times	eligibility/ qualifications	fee
ENERGY ASSISTANCE (LIHEAP) The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps qualifying households with their primary heating costs during the winter.	Human Services Staff 222-3660 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk-ins welcome Limited appointments available 	M 8am - 3pm T 8am - 3pm W 8am - noon TH 8am - 3pm Application period begins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10/1 for seniors (60+) and disabled households by appointment 11/4 for all other households Application period ends the last business day in April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low-income households in Polk County Social security card & date of birth for all household members Past 30 days of verifiable income from all sources for all household members, or 2017 income tax return Current MidAmerican Bill 	NONE
Dallas County Residents receive assistance at the Dallas County Family Development Center, 2814 1st St., Perry, IA 50220 465-5185				
EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE Emergency Assistance is available to avoid housing evictions and utility disconnections to eligible households.	Human Services Staff 222-3660	M 8am - 3pm T 8am - 3pm W 8am - noon TH 8am - 3pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low income WDM residents Residents must present lease or utility bill Past 30 days of verifiable income from all sources for all household members, or 2017 income tax return ID required for all household members 	NONE
ASSISTANCE WITH GOVERNMENT FORMS Government forms are not always easy to fill out. WDM Human Services is here to help. Includes forms for DHS and tax rebates.	Human Services Staff 222-3660	M 8am - 3pm T 8am - 3pm W 8am - noon TH 8am - 3pm	Service area residents	NONE





YOUTH ASSISTANCE

description	contact/ location	dates days/times	eligibility/ qualifications	fee
YOUTH RECREATIONAL ASSISTANCE Limited scholarships for recreational/educational youth activities offered through WDM Parks & Recreation are available to eligible households.	Human Services Staff 222-3660	M 8am – 3pm T 8am – 3pm W 8am – noon TH 8am – 3pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WDM resident Proof of income Proof of address ID required for all household members 	50% off program fee (client pays balance)
SCHOOL SUPPLIES School supplies are available on a limited basis in August including classroom supplies and backpacks.	Human Services Staff 222-3660	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See website for dates Registration begins in July 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WDM resident Proof of income Proof of address ID required for all household members 	NONE
HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE Need help with the holidays? Programs are available for qualifying WDM households including Adopt-A-Family and Toyland.	Human Services Staff 222-3660	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk-ins welcome Deadlines apply – see website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WDM resident Proof of income Proof of address ID required for all household members 	NONE
POOL PASSES Pool passes are available to low-income residents of West Des Moines.	Human Services Staff 222-3660	M 8am – 3pm T 8am – 3pm W 8am – noon TH 8am – 3pm Registration begins in April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WDM resident Proof of income Proof of address ID required for all household members 	Reduced Rate – varies depending on household income



HOUSING

HOUSING SOLUTIONS

A short-term rental and support services program (Rapid Rehousing) for homeless families residing in emergency shelters with minor children

Housing Solutions Coordinator
222-3666

M – F
8am – 4pm

Limited availability

- Eligible homeless participants will need to meet HUD homeless guidelines and income criteria
- Must be referred by Primary Healthcare (515-248-1850)

CLOTHING CLOSET

description	contact/ location	dates days/times	eligibility/ qualifications	fee
Gently used clothing and housewares are available to those in need on a monthly basis.	Human Services Staff 222-3660	M 8:30am - 3pm T 8:30am - 3pm W 8:30am - noon TH 8:30am - 3pm F 8:30am - noon 2nd & 4th Tues of each month: 4 pm – 6 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proof of income Proof of address Service area resident ID required for all household members 	NONE (donations encouraged)

This is a community supported program — donations of clothing and small housewares are always needed.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

ESL CLASSES

for adults whose first language is not English. Transportation available on a limited basis.

Human Services Staff
222-3660

T & TH
10am – noon

- Pre-registration required
- Limited # of participants

\$30 book fee

HISET CLASSES

For individuals seeking to earn their high school equivalency diploma. DMACC instructors lead the classes.

DMACC staff
256-4924

M & W
6pm – 9pm

- Registration required
- Must be 18 yrs or older

NONE



ELDERLY ASSISTANCE

HANDYMAN SERVICES

Services include lawn mowing, snow removal and minor exterior home repairs for low-income, elderly and disabled residents of WDM.

Human Services Staff
222-3660

M – F
8am – 5pm

- Income - eligible seniors (70+) or income-eligible disabled residents of WDM
- Registration required

NONE (donations encouraged)

VOLUNTEER TODAY!

Volunteers are needed in the Clothing Closet, Food Pantry and for ESL classes at West Des Moines Human Services. Opportunities are available Monday through Friday between 8:30 am and 4:00 pm as well as on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Convenient location in Valley Junction neighborhood. Must be 14 years or older. To learn more, please contact Mindy Hotovec at **222-3663** or visit www.wdm.iowa.gov/HumanServices.





FREE Transportation

West Des Moines residents who are seniors (age 60+), disabled, or low income can receive free transportation to necessary appointments. Rides are provided with a fleet of four vehicles, three wheelchair accessible buses and one van. The service operates Monday through Friday all year. Transportation is also provided for recreational outings like the "Senior Dinner Club," as well as trips to the bank, grocery store, barber, etc. as time allows. Reservations required by noon, two business days before a ride is needed.

Please call 222-3661 for more information or to schedule a ride.

WEST DES MOINES HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

(515) 222-4320

The mission of the West Des Moines Human Rights Commission is to encourage and support comprehensive educational opportunities that promote a more inclusive community.



FREE High School Equivalency Classes at WDM Human Services

High School Equivalency classes (HSED) are now being offered at West Des Moines Human Services. The classes are offered through a program called Bridges to Success which is a collaboration between DMACC and United Way of Central Iowa. The program helps students earn their high school diploma and pass the HiSET tests, opening up job and career opportunities. DMACC instructors lead the classes.

To sign up or learn more, visit bridgesdsm.org or call 515-256-4924.



Partner with WDM Human Services to help our neighbors in need!

WDM Human Services Current Needs

Personal Pantry:

Each month WDM Human Services assists approximately 400 low-income households with personal care products. We need your help to meet the needs in our community. The following items are needed on an on-going basis:

- Laundry detergent
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Feminine hygiene products
- Toilet Paper
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Diapers
- Soap

Clothing Closet:

Our clothing closet is in need of new or gently used children's, teen, and adult clothing and shoes. We also need towels, sheets, blankets, toys and small household items. Clothing Closet donations are accepted Monday through Friday, 8:30am – 4pm, at 139 6th Street in West Des Moines. Donations are also accepted on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Donation receipts are available.



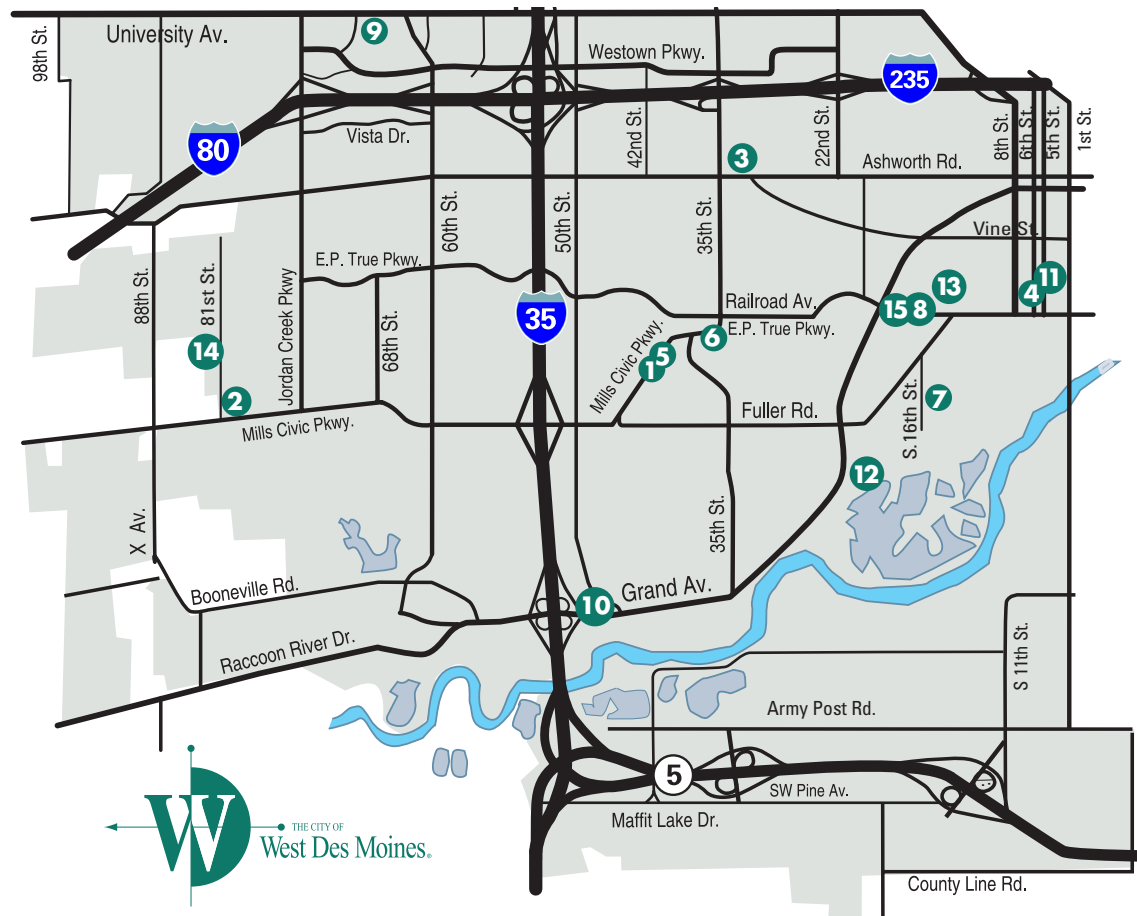
ESL Classes at WDM Human Services

English as a Second Language classes for adults are now being offered at West Des Moines Human Services. The classes take place on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10 am to noon in eight week sessions. Volunteer tutors are needed to assist with the classes. Volunteers will provide small group and one-on-one instruction for adult learners. Knowledge of a second language is not necessary to volunteer.

Call 222-3663 for more information or to register as a student or volunteer!



WDM FACILITY MAP



- 1 City Hall:** 4200 Mills Civic Pkwy
- 2 Public Safety Station #19:**
8055 Mills Civic Pkwy
- 3 Fire Station #21:**
3421 Ashworth Road
- 4 Human Services:** 139 6th Street
- 5 WDM Public Library:**
4000 Mills Civic Pkwy
- 6 Law Enforcement Center:**
250 Mills Civic Pkwy
- 7 Public Services:**
560 S. 16th Street
- 8 Fire Station #17:**
1401 Railroad Avenue

- 9 Westside Fire Station #22:**
1801 68th street
- 10 Fire Station #18:**
5025 Grand Avenue
- 11 Valley Junction Activity Center:**
217 5th Street
- 12 Nature Lodge:**
2500 Grand Avenue
- 13 Holiday Aquatic Center:**
1701 Railroad Avenue
- 14 Valley View Aquatic Center:**
255 S. 81st Street
- 15 Water Works Plant:**
1505 Railroad Avenue

The West Des Moines Fire Fighters Association

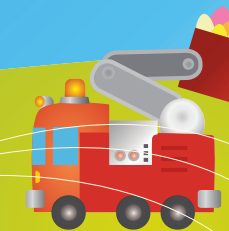
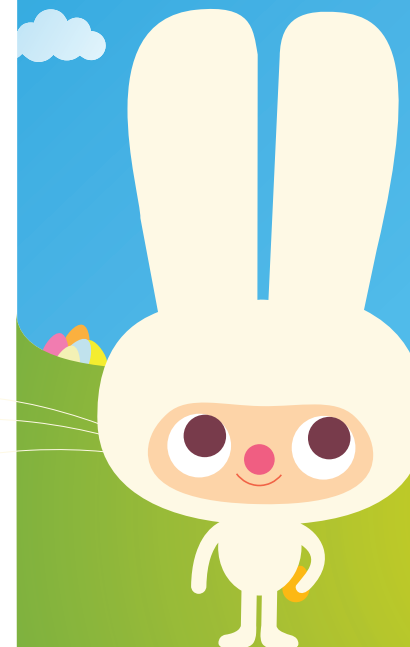
Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 20
Easter egg hunt begins promptly at 10:30am

Des Moines Area Community College
West Campus
5959 Grand Avenue, West Des Moines

DMACC West Campus is located approximately 1/2 mile west of I-35

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FACE PAINTING!
and photos with the EASTER BUNNY!



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SPRING / SUMMER 2019

WDM PARKS & RECREATION

PROGRAM GUIDE



*We provide our
community everyday
enjoyment through
people, parks
and programs.*



Registration Starts:

RESIDENTS:

March 5 | 8am

NON RESIDENTS:

March 19 | 8am

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WDM Parks and Recreation *registration*

3 WAYS TO REGISTER



Scan & Register with your mobile device.

- **Online:**
www.wdm.iowa.gov/ParkRecReg
- **Mail-In:**
P.O. Box 65320, WDM, IA 50265
- **Call-In:**
222-3444

WDM Parks and Recreation *policies*

POLICIES

RECREATION PROGRAM REFUND POLICY

Please call the West Des Moines Parks and Recreation Department Administrative Office at 515-222-3444 Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. to request a refund.

1. Full refunds will be given if the request is submitted no later than 7 days prior to the program start date.
2. Refund requests submitted less than 7 days before the start date will be charged a \$10.00 withdrawal fee.
3. Requests for refunds submitted after the event start date or completion of the program will not be considered.
4. Please allow 2-3 weeks to process a check refund for payments originally made by cash or check. No cash refunds will be given.
5. Payments made by credit/debit card will be refunded back to the original credit/debit card.
6. The Recreation Program Refund Policy does not apply to travel programs or adult sport leagues.
7. Refunds for medical situations will be considered on a case by case basis.

CANCELLATION POLICY

We reserve the right to cancel a program or activity that does not meet the minimum number of participants necessary to offer the program.

REGISTRATION CHANGE FEE

A fee of \$5 will be charged for each Registration Change made after participants are enrolled in a program.

RECREATION PROGRAM ASSISTANCE

Fee discounts are available for WDM residents meeting guidelines for assistance. Applications are available at **WDM Human Services, 139 6th Street.**

ACCOMMODATIONS

It is the responsibility of the individual with a disability requiring accommodations to inform the Parks and Recreation Department, at least 48 hours in advance. Please call **222-3444** to have accommodations provided.

ANTI-BULLYING STATEMENT

The Parks & Recreation Department will not tolerate bullying* in any youth program or activity, and staff will do all they reasonably can to create a safe space for participants, regardless of an individual's actual or perceived age, color, creed/denomination, national origin, race, religion, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical attributes/appearance, physical or mental ability or disability, ancestry, political belief, socioeconomic status, or familial status.

*For the purposes of this statement, bullying is defined as the unwanted, aggressive use of physical, social or mental/intellectual power to control, harm or humiliate another person in a repetitive or pervasive manner.

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REGISTER ONLINE AT

www.wdm.iowa.gov/ParkRecReg



West Des Moines Parks & Recreation Department Facilities

Administrative Office at WDM City Hall 4200 Mills Civic Parkway	222-3444
Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge 2500 Grand Avenue	222-3424
Raccoon River Park Archery Facility 2500 Grand Avenue	222-3424
Raccoon River Park Dog Park 2500 Grand Avenue	222-3444
Raccoon River Park Softball Complex 2500 Grand Avenue	222-3505
Valley Junction Activity Center 217 5th Street	222-3440
Holiday Aquatic Center 1701 Railroad Avenue	273-0700
Holiday Park Baseball Complex 1701 Railroad Avenue	222-3454
Valley View Aquatic Center 255 S. 81st Street	273-0700
Jordan Cemetery 2950 Fuller Road	222-3444
Weather Cancellation Hotline	222-3500



Jordan Cemetery

A resting place for many of the founding families of West Des Moines, Jordan Cemetery is located at 2950 Fuller Road. Jordan Cemetery dates back to 1846 when James Jordan arrived in Polk County and homesteaded in the area. The cemetery is now operated by the Parks & Recreation Department and continues to provide cemetery lots for sale. If you would like information, please contact the Parks & Recreation Office at 222-3444.



West Des Moines Parks

American Legion Park...301 Vine St.
Ashawa Park.....4431 Waterford Dr.
Brookview Park.....400 81st St.
Crossroads Park.....5205 Ashworth Rd.
Fairmeadows Park.....543 22nd St.
Florer Park.....1410 Locust St.
Holiday Park.....1701 Railroad Ave.
Huston Ridge Park8455 Coachlight Dr.
Jaycee Park.....5608 Center St.
Jordan Creek Park.....310 50th St.
Kiwanis Park.....3101 Maple St.
Knolls Park5150 Aspen Dr.
Maple Grove Park.....9350 Chalk St.
Meadowview Park638 Prairie View Dr.

Pearson Park1256 19th St.
Peony Park.....1100 63rd St.
Quail Cove Park.....1515 South 52nd St.
Raccoon River Park.....2500 Grand Ave.
Railroad Park425 Railroad Ave.
Scenic Valley Park.....1223 South 24th Ct.
Southwoods Park.....350 South 35th St.
Valley View Park.....255 81st St.
Western Hills Park4115 Walnut St.
Wild Rose Park6801 Cody Dr.
Willow Springs Park5685 Wistful Vista Dr.
Wilson Park.....298 9th St.
Woodland Hills Park1230 South 95th St.

Valley Junction Activity Center

Located in the heart of Valley Junction, the Valley Junction Activity Center offers a variety of meeting and social function spaces that can meet your needs. On the first level there are flexible rooms that can accommodate groups from 20 to 100 people depending on your set up requirements.

The Grand Ballroom is located on the second level of the building which offers space for seated functions for groups as large as 200 people. The Ballroom has been updated with a new maple wood floor, ceiling and lighting updates, a fresh coat of paint, and new windows. It is a great space for large family or business dinner affairs as well as wedding receptions.

Give us a call at 222-3440 to check rates and availability today!



Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge

Are you looking for a room with a view to hold that family function or business meeting? The Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge is the place for you. The Lakeview Room provides a panoramic view of Blue Heron Lake in Raccoon River Park. This unique setting provides a quality experience for your guests to enjoy and offers a variety of space and services to make planning your event as easy as one...two...three.

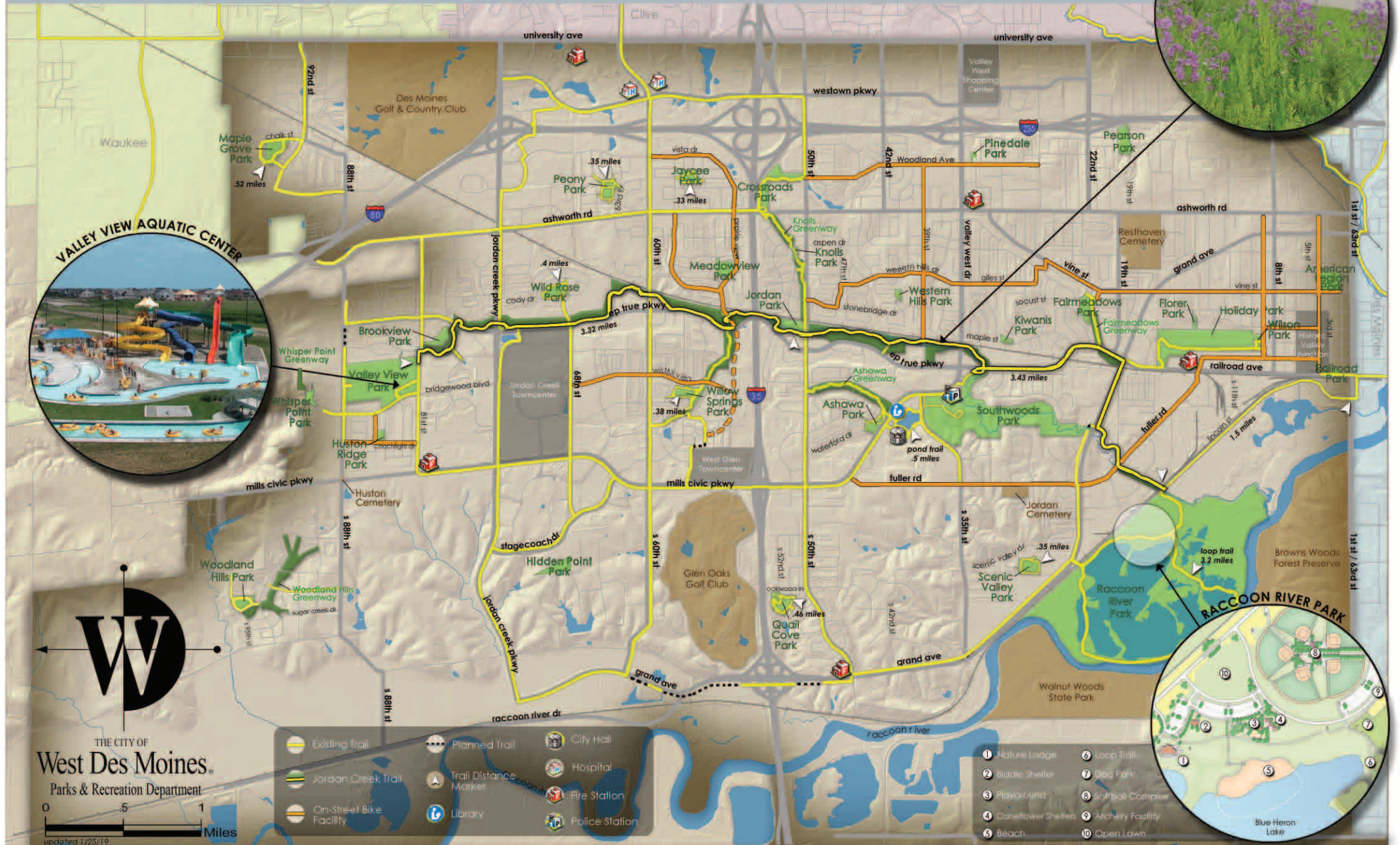
The Lakeview Room can accommodate small or large groups for up to 120 people. You can also bring your own caterer for your event. Weekday business rates are available between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Our great rental rates make event planning affordable and works within your budget.

Give us a call at 222-3424 to check availability!



PARKS & TRAILS MAP

WEST DES MOINES PARKS & RECREATION





Raccoon River Park Archery Facility

The facility is the first of its kind in Iowa and features:

- Enclosure walls/fencing
- Overhead 'arrow curtains'
- Shelter over shooting area
- Staging area
- 12 shooting lanes
- Target blocks up to 40 yards distance

Learn more about the facility and download permit forms at www.wdm.iowa.gov/Archery. Questions? (515) 222-3444 or ParkRec@wdm.iowa.gov

Annual Permit	WDM Resident	Non-Resident
Adult	\$20	\$40
Youth (15 & Under)	\$10	\$20
Daily Permit	WDM Resident	Non-Resident
Adult	\$5	\$5
Youth (15 & Under)	\$5	\$5

Permits can be purchased at the following locations:

- **West Des Moines Parks & Recreation Office**
4200 Mills Civic Pkwy, Suite 1B, West Des Moines
Phone: 222-3444 | Fax: 222-3459
Monday-Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm
- **Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge**
2500 Grand Avenue, West Des Moines
Phone: 222-3424 | Fax: 222-3658
Monday-Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm, call for evening/weekend hours



Using the Facility

- A permit is required for each person shooting arrows.
- The Archery Facility is open daily for use from dawn to dusk.
- Archers must supply their own equipment and paper targets.
- Children 15 and under must be supervised by an adult at all times.
- Stationary target blocks are provided; each serves 2 lanes.
- To increase the life of target blocks, use pins to attach paper targets and aim for different areas. No broadheads allowed.

See page 17 for Archery program

\$5 Day Passes are available online for the Archery Facility at Raccoon River Park. Find them at wdm.iowa.gov/DayPasses

Raccoon River Dog Park

Dogs in Parks

For the safety and well-being of all park visitors and for the safety of your dog, please remember that the **ONLY** place that dogs are allowed to be off-leash in the City's parks is the Raccoon River Dog Park. In all other parks, rules and regulations require that dogs be on a leash not more than 10 feet long.

Also, please be considerate to other park visitors and clean up after your dog. Waste bags are provided in Raccoon River Park along the trail. Remember to bring a bag with you to all other parks and trails. We appreciate responsible pet owners!

Mail-In

Go to www.wdm.iowa.gov/DogPark download the application form, complete it and mail the form, a copy of rabies & distemper/parvo vaccination records and payment to the address on the form.

Walk-In

Stop by one of the following locations. Be sure to bring your dog's records showing current rabies & distemper/parvo vaccinations.

WDM Parks & Recreation Administration

4200 Mills Civic Parkway – 1B
8am – 5pm, Monday-Friday

Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge

2500 Grand Avenue
8am – 5pm, Monday-Friday
Evening/Weekend Hours –
Call 222-3424



Permit	WDM Resident	Non-Resident
Annual	\$20	\$40
Daily	\$5	\$5

DAY PASSES AVAILABLE ONLINE!

\$5 Day Passes are available online for the Dog Park at Raccoon River Park.

Find them at wdm.iowa.gov/DayPasses



TEA TIME AT THE JORDAN HOUSE

Take time to enjoy tea with your family and friends at the Historic Jordan House this spring. Whether you are a parent-child duo, a group of lifelong friends, or just want to spend time away from the office with your co-workers, you will surely delight in this charming hour filled with food, drink, crafts, and activities. The Jordan House's Victorian setting could not be more appropriate. Each registration includes a voucher for a future Jordan House Tour, so register now. You won't want to miss this!

TIME	Jordan House LOCATION	COURSE ID	MAX. #
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Upstairs Sitting Area	9155	4
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Upstairs Sitting Area	9156	4
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Library	9153	4
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Library	9154	4
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Informal Parlor	9151	4
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Informal Parlor	9152	4
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Kitchen	9149	4
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Kitchen	9150	4
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Formal Parlor	9147	6
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Formal Parlor	9148	6
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Dining Room	9144	10
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Dining Room	9145	10

DAY / DATE	Saturday, May 11
AGES	5+
FEE	\$15 per person



K9 TOSS AND FETCH LEAGUE

West Des Moines will be forming a K9 Toss and Fetch League that will compete with other Toss and Fetch teams from around the world. Each week we will meet at Jordan Creek Park to "toss and fetch" with our dogs to gather scores that we will submit. Our league is for anyone who has a dog that loves to play "fetch with a frisbee". If you would like more information about this league call Melanie at 222-3435 or go to our Facebook page at West Des Moines K9 Toss and Fetch.

DAY	Wednesdays	
TIME	DATES	COURSE ID
6:30pm – 7:30pm	April 10 – May 8	9256
6:30pm – 7:30pm	June 12 – July 10	9257
LOCATION	Jordan Creek Park	
AGES	ALL	
FEE	\$13 per team (one dog and owner) owners can have more than one team if they have multiple dogs	

EARTH DAY FAMILY FUN

Earth Day is a perfect day for you and your family to come enjoy some family friendly outdoor activities. You can go kayaking, canoeing, fishing or you may choose to create a small paddle boat or relax in our outdoor lounge and enjoy a cup of coffee or cocoa! Free tree saplings will be handed out to celebrate this Earth Day Event. The first 100 families will receive a painted lady caterpillar to raise. Come help us celebrate Earth Day today!



DAY	Saturday
DATE	April 20
TIME	10am – 12pm
LOCATION	WDM City Hall (4200 Mills Civic Pkwy)
AGES	All
FEE	FREE

YOGA ON THE LAWN

Get your Sunday off to a great start with some Yoga on the Lawn! This FREE program is a great introduction to Yoga for the beginner and offers new challenges for seasoned yogis. Bring a water bottle and yoga mat.

DAYS	Sundays
DATE	June 2 – August 25
TIME	9am – 10am
LOCATION	North lawn at WDM City Hall (4200 Mills Civic Parkway)
AGES	6+
FEE	Free



YOGA WITH JAYLA

There is a great need in the world today for stress management. Most people suffer from a tremendous amount of stress and pressure due to the demands of their jobs / careers / lives. Yoga with Jayla is a Yoga Workshop for people of the community so that they can reap the various benefits of yoga. It has been proven medically that yoga releases stress and tension from the nervous system, and this in turn enhances a person's ability to cope with the increasing pressures of modern day living. Yoga does this by providing deep relaxation to the body and the mind through its ancient breathing techniques and physical postures / exercises. So what are you waiting for?! Let's get started sharpening your mind, body, and soul!



DATES	COURSE ID	DAYS	FEE
April 1 – 29	8549	Mon, Thu, Sat, Sun	\$80
May 15 – 29	9235	Wed, Fri, Sat	\$40
June 1 – 29	9233	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat	\$85
July 1 – 31	9236	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat	\$80
August 2 – 31	9234	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat	\$80
TIMES	Weekdays: 6pm – 7pm Weekends: 10am – 11am		
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center		

MAYOR'S BIKE RIDE



DAY	Saturday
DATE	May 18
TIME	9am – 12pm
LOCATION	Starts at WDM City Hall, 4200 Mills Civic Parkway
AGES	6 and up
COURSE ID	9735
FEE	\$10 per rider • \$25 family fee

Please join the City of West Des Moines' Mayor, Steve Gaer, for a morning of cycling in the City of West Des Moines. Different routes will be available to accommodate all ages and abilities. All routes start and end at City Hall. (Routes and distances subject to change.) All registered participants will receive an event t-shirt. Proceeds from the event will be put towards enhancing new and existing trails.

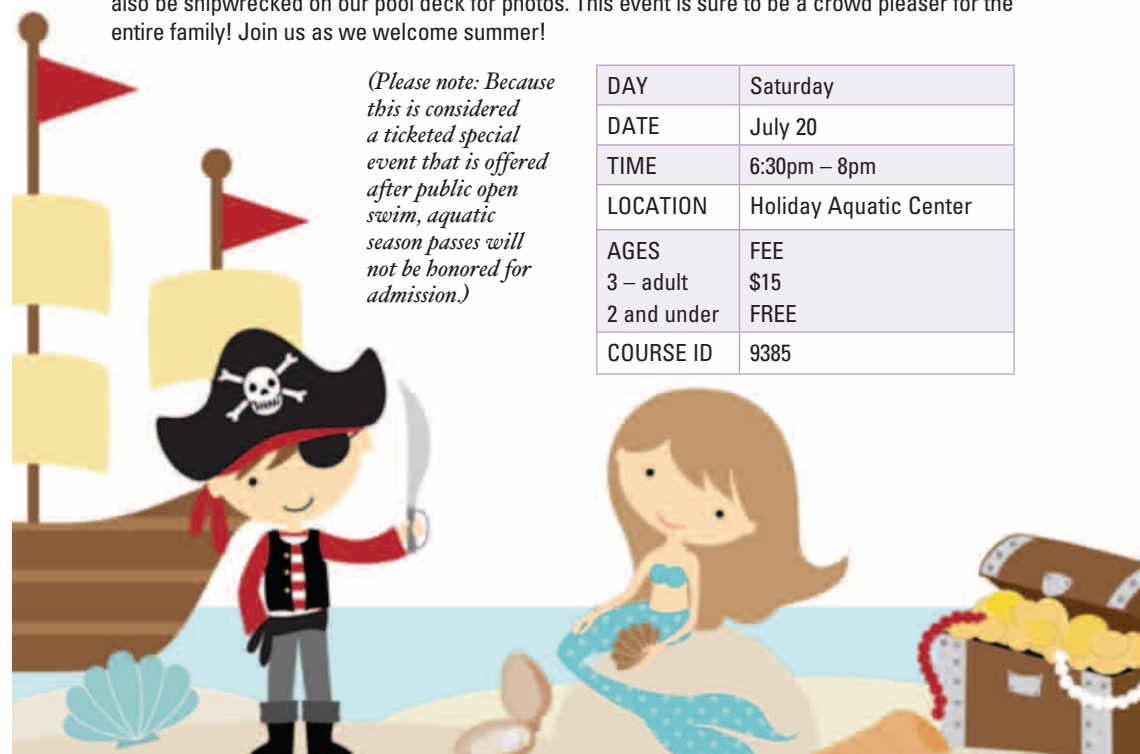
The event is "Ride at your own Risk". All rules and regulations outlined in the West Des Moines, Iowa: City Code, Title 6 – MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, Chapter 11: BICYCLES shall apply. (www.wdm.iowa.gov)

PRINCESS AND PIRATE SPLASH BASH

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! and Yo Ho Ho! All princesses across the land and pirates of the sea are invited to a spectacular SPLASH BASH at Holiday Aquatic Center! We've enlisted our friends from Little Princess Parties to provide "The Little Mermaid" and five of her princess and mermaid friends. They will swim and pose for photos with you. (Be sure to bring your camera!) A mighty Pirate will also be shipwrecked on our pool deck for photos. This event is sure to be a crowd pleaser for the entire family! Join us as we welcome summer!

(Please note: Because this is considered a ticketed special event that is offered after public open swim, aquatic season passes will not be honored for admission.)

DAY	Saturday
DATE	July 20
TIME	6:30pm – 8pm
LOCATION	Holiday Aquatic Center
AGES	FEE
3 – adult	\$15
2 and under	FREE
COURSE ID	9385



INDEPENDENCE DAY EVENTS

INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

Parade entry information will be available starting in early May. To have entry information mailed to you please call 222-3444. The parade will be limited to the first 75 entries.

DAY	Wednesday
DATE	July 3
LINE-UP	5:15pm
PARADE STARTS	6:30pm

Sponsored by



ALL IOWA BASH!

Will be held in Valley Junction **July 3rd**. For more information visit www.valleyjunction.com or call (515) 222-3642.



HOLIDAY CLASSIC HORSESHOE TOURNEY

For information contact the WDM Horseshoe Pitchers Association at 681-1937.

DAY	Thursday
DATE	July 4
TIME	7am – 2pm
LOCATION	Holiday Park



35TH ANNUAL MUD VOLLEYBALL TOURNEY

DAY	Thursday
DATE	July 4
TIME	Tourney Begins 8am
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park

Pre-registration required. Call WDM Fire Department at 222-3420 to register a team or for more information.



COMMUNITY BAND CONCERT

DAY	Thursday
DATE	July 4
TIME	7pm
LOCATION	Coneflower Shelters at Raccoon River Park 2500 Grand Ave.



FIREWORKS DISPLAY

JULY 4TH — THE FIREWORKS DISPLAY WILL START AT DUSK OVER BLUE HERON LAKE IN RACCOON RIVER PARK 2500 GRAND AVE. • WDM

SKATEBOARD-XTREME CHALLENGE

A Skateboard Competition

(Co-sponsored by the cities of Urbandale, West Des Moines, and Clive) All ages welcome! Competition will be divided by age level. This skateboard competition is a great chance for skateboarders to show their stuff and win great prizes.

DAY	Saturday
DATE	August 3
TIME	Competition begins at 11am
LOCATION	Urbandale Skateboard Park, located in Walker Johnston Park (9000 Douglas Ave., Urbandale)
AGES	ALL
FEE	FREE

SAVE THE DATE:
Saturday,
September 21

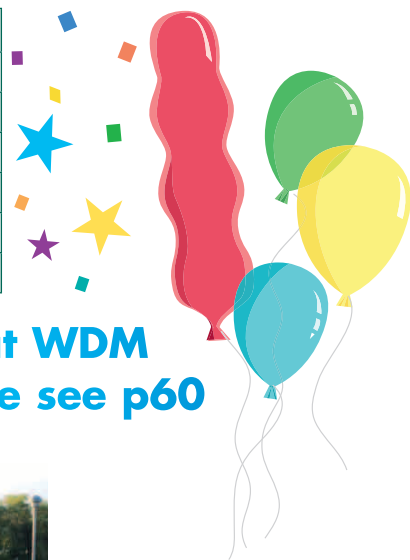
IllumiFest
a Fall Festival of light

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BIRTHDAY PARTIES AT THE NATURE LODGE

Birthdays are special, and we have some great ways to celebrate them! Choose from various themes and locations, and leave the planning details to us! Our parties include: set up, a reserved space for your event, a party host or hostess, a theme related activity, cake, ice cream, juice, paper goods, and most importantly...the clean up! All parties cost \$150 for the first 12 participants (including the birthday child) and are two hours in length. An additional fee of \$15 per child will be charged for parties larger than 12, with a maximum of 15 participants allowed. *PLEASE NOTE: All party participants must meet the minimum age range required for each specific party!* To schedule your special date, please call 222-3424. Reservations must be made at least 2 weeks in advance. *Party themes effective April 1.*

THEME	AGE (of all party participants)
Amazing Animals	5-7
Moana	5-7
Sports of All Sorts	5-7
Trolls	5-7
Pirate Party	5-7
Pajama Party	5-7



For Birthday Parties at WDM Aquatic Centers please see p60



GREAT AMERICAN CAMPOUT

The National Wildlife Federation's Great American Campout is an easy way to get outdoors and enjoy the benefits of nature and wildlife whether you are a seasoned pro or a first time camper. So, pack up your tents, sleeping bags and flashlights for a fun night of camping on the City Hall lawn! Activities will include nature walks around the campus pond, campfire stories, s'mores, a movie on the big screen, fishing, crafts and games. Evening snacks and a light breakfast will be provided. Registration not required. Stay tuned for more information and details to come!

DAYS	Saturday & Sunday
DATE	June 22 – 23
TIME	7pm – 10am
LOCATION	WDM City Hall Lawn
AGES	All
FEE	Free

HUNTER EDUCATION

Anyone born after January 1, 1972 is required to complete a 12 hour Hunter Safety Course before they can obtain an Iowa hunting license. The two-day course includes instruction on safe handling of firearms and archery equipment, as well as information on hunter ethics, conservation management and hunting regulations.

DAYS	DATES	TIMES
Must attend both days		
Thursday	August 22	6pm – 9pm
Saturday	August 24	8am – 5pm
(please bring a sack lunch on Saturday)		
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge	
AGES	12+	
FEE	Free	
TO REGISTER	www.iowadnr.gov/Hunting/Hunter-Education	



ARCHERY, GIVE IT A "SHOT"!

Have you thought about trying archery, but you don't have any equipment? These family events are planned just for you! Come to the archery facility at Raccoon River Park to give it a try. We will provide the bows, arrows and instruction for you to try this exciting sport. This activity is free, but registration is required and limited to 35 people. (Children must be 7 years of age or older.)

DAYS	DATES	TIMES	COURSE ID
Wednesday	April 24	5:45pm – 7:15pm	9213
Thursday	May 23	5:45pm – 7:15pm	9215
Tuesday	June 25	5:45pm – 7:15pm	9261
Tuesday	July 23	5:45pm – 7:15pm	9214
Thursday	August 15	5:45pm – 7:15pm	9212
AGES	7+		
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Archery Facility		
FEE	Free		

This class is designed for adults who have wanted to try archery, but have never had the chance. Old or young, come join this archery fun!

ADULT ONLY CLASSES			
DAYS	DATES	TIMES	COURSE ID
Wednesday	May 29	5:45pm – 7pm	9696
Thursday	June 13	5:45pm – 7pm	9219
Wednesday	July 10	9:30am – 11am	9222



Interested in shooting more archery? Check out our 3 spot summer adult archery league at www.wdm.iowa.gov.

STORY HOUR AT THE PARK

Join the West Des Moines Parks & Recreation staff for an hour of story power! Bring a picnic lunch to enjoy as our Naturalist shares nature books, stories and games.

DAYS	Tuesdays
DATES	May 7 – May 28
TIME	12pm – 1pm
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge
AGES	ALL
FEE	FREE

SPOON CARVING

Using traditional tools in this wooden spoon carving class, you will learn how to design, carve and hollow out the bowl of the spoon, as well as sand and finish the piece. It's a fun class and easy for anyone to learn. The best part is you get to leave the class with your very own custom creation. All supplies are provided for use during class, but feel free to bring in your own axe, knives or wood. This workshop is ideal for adults and also appropriate for kids (10+).

DAYS	Tuesdays
DATES	June 11 and June 18
TIME	6pm – 8pm
LOCATION	Ironside Axe Club 2700 University Ave. Suite 100, WDM
AGES	10+
FEE	\$50
COURSE ID	9675

FAIRYTALE TIME IN THE PARK!

FREE EVENT - No Pre-Registration Required: Come experience your community park and join the West Des Moines Parks and Recreation staff for a story and a craft. Bring a blanket and a friend!

*Childcare providers — Please let us know if you are bringing your group so we can be sure to have enough supplies for all participants!

DATES	PARK
June 7	American Legion
June 14	Quail Cove
June 21	Ashawa
June 28	Huston Ridge
July 5	Jaycee
July 12	Wild Rose
July 19	Kiwanis
July 26	Meadowview
August 2	Pearson

DAYS	Fridays
TIME	10:30am – 11:15am
AGES	ALL
FEE	FREE



MARTIAL ARTS

TAE-KWON-DO/KARATE

The Korean art of self defense, Tae-Kwon-Do, is recognized as a beneficial method of improving health, balance, agility and poise. As a philosophy of mental alertness and moral ethics, TKD can serve to enhance anyone's life young or old. Beginner classes are for white through green belts. Intermediate/Advanced classes are for green belts and up.

DATES	June 4 – July 30
BEGINNER CLASS	
DAYS	TIME
Tuesdays	6:30pm – 7:30pm
COURSE ID	9229
FEE	\$41

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED CLASS

DAYS	TIME
Tuesdays	7:30pm – 8:30pm
COURSE ID	9231
FEE	\$41

TAE-KWON-DO/ KARATE LITTLE NINJAS INSTRUCTOR:

Phil Dickey:

Fifth Degree Black Belt in Karate, Fourth Degree Black Belt in Tae-Kwon-Do, International Martial Arts Hall of Fame Inductee.

LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center
AGES	6+
REGISTER BY	One week before the session starts

LITTLE NINJAS

Join our early childhood program designed to teach the basic fundamentals of both Tae-Kwon-Do and Karate. This class will focus on building self-respect, self-confidence, coordination of mind and body, and self-discipline.

DATES	June 4 – July 30		
DAYS	TIME	COURSE ID	FE
Tuesdays	5:30pm – 6pm	9230	\$28
Tuesdays	6pm – 6:30pm	9228	\$28

LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center
AGES	4 – 5
REGISTER BY	One week before the session starts



BURNT MARSHMALLOW DAY CAMP



Each session of Burnt Marshmallow Day Camp is specifically designed for ages 4 to 6, with a variety of activities that include: games, songs, stories, sharing, crafts, visits from special guests, and field trips. Each camper receives a t-shirt with their registration. Burnt Marshmallow Day Camp is led by three staff members. Registration is limited to 20 children per session, so sign up early. *Each camper is asked to bring a sack lunch every day, with the exception of Thursday, when WDM Parks & Recreation will be providing a "Burnt Marshmallow" Cookout.

STAR WARS

June 10 – 14

COURSE ID: 9179

Join our crew and BLAST OFF into a

week of high adventure! Our mission will be to explore far away galaxies and learn about outer space. We'll make our own light sabers, and "Darth Vader" masks. This week our activities will allow your mind to travel into creative dimensions. Our special field trip will be to the Science Center of Iowa, where we'll tour the planets and see the stars. "What on Earth..." could be better?



FROZEN

June 17 – 21

COURSE ID: 9174

"Do you wanna build a snowman?" It may be summer outside, but our theme this week

features things that are cold and FROZEN! Join us as we create various types of Olaf snowmen, and feature some of the adventures of Anna, Elsa, Kristoff and Sven! We'll focus on acts of kindness this week and make friendship bracelets. Our field trip will take us roller skating where it will be nice and cool inside. Join the FROZEN phenomenon as we feature activities from one of Disney's more popular movies.

THE ADVENTURES OF CURIOUS GEORGE

June 24 – 28

COURSE ID: 9176

No monkey business here....we'll swing into an action-packed week of monkey-games and excitement! Find out about good sportsmanship, sharing, and play a different game or sport each day. We'll do craft projects and make a special treat with bananas. The "man in the big yellow hat" will encourage us to play fair, and have fun. Our active, monkey-themed field trip will take us to Monkey Joe's on Friday.



LITTLE MERMAIDS AND WONDERFUL WHALES

July 1 – 3

COURSE ID: 9178

THE FEES ARE PRO-RATED

THIS WEEK **

NO CLASS ON JULY 4 or 5.

This week we will journey "Under the Sea" for a whale of a good time at the Pearson Park beach house! We'll make our own water slide, and learn how to turn your backyard into a slippery, silly water wonderland! Pack your swim suits and plan to get wet. The highlight of our week will be the private use of Valley View Aquatic Center... including all the spray and splash features of the leisure pool!



MICKEY AND MINNIE'S CLUBHOUSE

July 8 – 12

COURSE ID: 9172

"Oh, TOODLES!" Everything is more fun when Mickey and Minnie are involved! This week we'll explore the fascinating wonders of floating, flying and bouncing objects. What goes up must come down. We'll play several games with balloons and balls and try to keep them up in the air. We'll fly a kite and make paper airplanes. See how high you can bounce and jump as you take flight at "Pump It Up" on Friday.



MY LITTLE PONY

July 15 – 19

COURSE ID: 9180

Calling all Cowboys and Cowgirls! Have you ever wondered what life would be like living on a farm? What type of animals would we see? We'll do plenty of "horsing around" this week as we create, discover and imagine life in Ponyville. We'll feature a different Ponypal each day, and discover why "Friendship is Magic!" Our field trip will take us out to the Jester Park Equestrian Center. Giddy UP!

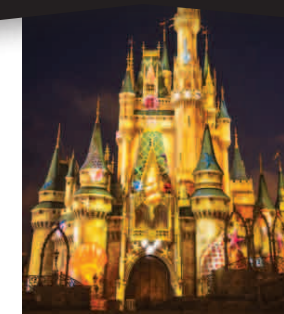


TROLLS

July 22 – 26

COURSE ID: 9177

Find your HAPPY place this week as we pretend we are TROLLS! Join us for a bright and colorful week full of fun, adventure and music. We will learn how to "survive" the Bergen's as we venture through the park on a mission to save our village. We will make quick snacks to keep the Bergen's from eating us! There will be a daily DANCE PARTY in the shelter...sure to make your hair stand on end! Our field trip on Friday will be to the roller skating rink. Join the TROLLS phenomenon.



ONCE UPON A TIME...

July 29 – August 2

COURSE ID: 9173

Just as all good stories begin with the phrase, "Once Upon a Time..." so will our week. We're featuring several of our favorite princes and princesses this week as we discover the wonderful world of imagination. We'll build Cinderella's sand castle and dress up like Knights in Shining Armor. We'll have a tea party with Mrs. Pots and Chip and ride Aladdin's magic carpet! "Be Our Guest" on Friday as we watch an animated mouse come to life at Chuck E. Cheese.



TIME	9am – 12pm
AGES	4 – 6
LOCATION	Pearson Park (19th & Pleasant Street)
FEE	\$69 per week *\$42 the week of July 2 (No class July 4 or 5)
REGISTER BY	1 week prior to each session

NATURE CLASS FOR CHILDREN 3-5

NATURE FRIENDS

The purpose of Nature Friends is to give children the opportunity to learn about Iowa's natural resources, environment and outdoor recreation. It is hoped that children who attend will gain an increased awareness about the earth and will learn to make responsible environmental decisions as they grow. Non-residents of West Des Moines are eligible to register for these programs at the same time residents are allowed to register. These programs are co-sponsored by WDM Parks & Recreation and Polk County Conservation Board.



NATURE FRIENDS - PRESCHOOLERS EXPLORING NATURE

Nature Class for children ages 3-5 with an adult

We will explore a different nature topic each evening through stories, sharing time, guided exploration, and art activities. Snacks will be provided.

Participate in a Park Passport Program. Attend five different programs, each located at a different park and receive a Nature Friend Explorer pack. Participants must record program name, location and date with the speaker's initials on their passport. Turn the passport in at the office at Jester Park or Raccoon River Nature Lodge to receive your Nature Friend Explorer pack. One Nature Friend Explorer pack per child please.

Day	Date	Program Name/Topic	Location	COURSE ID
Mon	May 6	Wiggly Squiggly Animals	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge	9194
Tues	May 21	Silly Salamanders	Jester Park Nature Center	
Mon	June 3	Fishing	Raccoon River Park Fishing Pier	9209
Tues	June 11	Birds of a Feather	Brown's Woods	
Mon	July 8	Super Snakes	Fairmeadows Park Shelter	9200
Tues	July 23	Animal Homes	FDM Shelter 3	
Mon	Aug 5	Tricky Tracks	Quail Cove Park	9186
Tues	Aug 13	Busy Bees	Easter Lake Park	
Time	6:30pm – 7:30pm			
Fee	\$7			

NEW!

Register for programs listed in Polk County parks (shaded above) by going to www.polkcountyiowa.gov/conservation/calendar

BEGINNERS TWIRL CAMP

Sign your child up for this very popular program! Let them experience the thrill of learning to twirl the baton. Your child will learn the basics of baton twirling each day of the camp. A special highlight of the program will be the opportunity for the campers to show off their new-found skill as they march together in the West Des Moines Independence Day Parade (held on July 3rd). A t-shirt and baton are included in the program fee. Don't miss out on this awesome opportunity!

DAYS	Monday – Friday	
DATES	June 24 – 28	
AGES	TIME	COURSE ID
5 – 10	10:30am – 11:30am	9081
5 – 10	11:30am – 12:30pm	9080
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge	
FEE	\$49	



INTERMEDIATE TWIRL CAMP

Did your child participate in Twirl Camp in previous summers? Do they want to build upon what they already learned? This program is the follow-up to the Beginners Twirl Camp. Your child will learn intermediate skills involved with baton twirling each day of the camp. And once again campers will get to show off their perfected skill as they march in the West Des Moines Independence Days Parade (held on July 3rd). A T-shirt is included in the program fee. **Participants should use the baton they used in previous summers or are responsible for purchasing a new one to fit their measurements.**

DAYS	Monday – Friday	
DATES	June 24 – 28	
TIME	1pm – 2pm	
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge	
AGES	6-13	
FEE	\$25	
COURSE ID	9082	

Sports Development	
DAY	Tuesdays
DATES	COURSE ID
April 2 – 30	8454
TIME	5:30pm – 6:30pm
LOCATION	Crossroads Park Elementary School
AGES	3 – 5
FEE	\$65

Tennis	
DAY	Mondays
DATES	COURSE ID
June 3 – July 1	9054
July 15 – August 12	9057
TIME	5:30pm – 6:30pm
LOCATION	Jaycee Park Tennis Court
AGES	5 – 7
FEE	\$55
MAXIMUM	10

Soccer			
DAY	Tuesdays		
DATES	TIMES	AGES	COURSE ID
June 4 – July 2	5:30pm – 6:30pm	3 – 4	9066
	6:30pm – 7:30pm	5 – 6	9061
July 16 – August 13	5:30pm – 6:30pm	3 – 4	9058
	6:30pm – 7:30pm	5 – 6	9059
LOCATION	Peony Park		
FEE	\$59		
MAXIMUM	20		

Baseball			
DAY	Wednesdays		
DATES	TIME	AGES	COURSE ID
June 5 – July 10 (Not held July 3)	5:30pm – 6:30pm	3 – 4	9065
	6:30pm – 7:30pm	5 – 6	9060
July 17 – August 14	5:30pm – 6:30pm	3 – 6	9055
LOCATION	Wild Rose Park		
FEE	\$59		
MAXIMUM	20		

The Right Start... Start Smart

Start Smart Programs will be held once a week for 5 weeks, and each week the exercises become increasingly more difficult as the class progresses and the children show improvement. All supplies needed for Start Smart programs are provided at the first class and are included in the program fee.

Please note that this program is not a competitive game setting. Skills are taught in stations each week.

A parent is required to attend and participate each week. It is recommended that non-registered siblings do not attend as it makes it difficult for parents to fully participate in the program.

WEATHER HOTLINE: 222-3500

Information regarding cancellation of sessions will be posted after 4pm the day of the session.

Coed Rugby Touch League

Rugby is a hit in our community! Meeting for only two weeks, this program will have the following format.

Week 1: Touch only instruction/tournament

Week 2: Touch only tournament

*This course can be a primer for the separate boys and girls tackle leagues held in April and May.

DAYS	Mondays
DATES	April 1 & 8
TIME	4:30 – 6pm
LOCATION	Cowles Elementary 6401 College Ave. Windsor Heights
AGES	4 – 14
FEE	\$40
COURSE ID	8563

Girls Rugby Tackle League

April 15 - tackle instruction/ tournament
April 22 - tackle instruction / tournament
April 29 - tackle instruction /tournament
May 6 - playoffs/championship
Friday May 10 - exhibition/championship game at the HS Boys State Playoff tournament in a lighted football stadium.

DAYS	Mondays & Friday
DATES	April 15 – May 10
TIME	4:30 – 6pm
LOCATION	Cowles Elementary
AGES	4 – 14
FEE	\$50*
COURSE ID	8565

*Participants will also need to register with USA Rugby through Iowa Youth Rugby Association for insurance reasons. This will also be an additional fee.

LEARN MORE AT
www.Irrugby.com



Boys Rugby Tackle League

April 15 - tackle instruction/ tournament
April 22 - tackle instruction / tournament
April 29 - tackle instruction /tournament
May 6 - playoffs/championship
Friday May 10 - exhibition/championship game at the HS Boys State Playoff tournament in a lighted football stadium.

DAYS	Mondays & Friday
DATES	April 15 – May 10
TIME	4:30 – 6pm
LOCATION	Cowles Elementary
AGES	4 – 14
FEE	\$50*
COURSE ID	8564



Tallgrass Theatre Company Seedlings Children's Theatre Programs

Tallgrass Theatre Company has been performing in West Des Moines since 2006 and re-launched their Seedlings children's theatre program in summer 2018. For more on Tallgrass Theatre Company's productions, visit www.tallgrasstheatre.org.

Play in a Week Camp

Does your child have a flair for the dramatic? Here's a chance to get them involved in theater, without a long-term commitment. Led by experienced drama instructors, kids will bring a unique and age-appropriate script to life, based on one of several super fun themes. Throughout the week, kids will work to develop their characters and interact with others to create the one-of-a-kind show, which will be performed for family and friends on Friday night/Saturday morning! (no charge for performance). Kids should bring a snack (no peanut products, please) and a bottle of water each day.

CAMP	TIMES	AGES	COURSE ID
Fairy Tale Mashup	9am – 12pm	7 – 10	9406
Great Adventure	9am – 12pm	7 – 10	9407
Fairy Tale Mashup	1pm – 4pm	7 – 10	9408
Time Machine	1pm – 4pm	11 – 16	9405

DAYS	Monday – Friday
DATES	July 15 – 19

PERFORMANCES	LOCATION	FEE	MIN.	MAX.
July 19 at 7pm or July 20 at 10am	Valley Junction Activity Center	\$90	5	15

FIRST STEPS DANCE CLASSES

First Steps Dance classes are designed to introduce children to the fundamental skills of dance at a cost and time commitment that is minimal to parents. All classes are led by Josalynn Agnew, an instructor with many years of studio experience.

Let your child learn basic dance movements in a non-threatening, recreational environment.

- 3-4 year olds will receive instruction in ballet and jazz.
- 5-7 year olds will receive instruction in ballet, jazz, and tap.

No special shoes are required.

Beginners First Steps Dance

DAYS	Mondays	
DATES	April 15 – May 20	
AGES	TIMES	COURSE ID
3 – 4	5pm – 5:30pm	9094
5 – 7	5:30pm – 6:15pm	9098
3 – 4	6:15pm – 6:45pm	9095

LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center
FEE	\$39

DAYS	Tuesdays	
DATES	April 16 – May 21	
AGES	TIMES	COURSE ID
3 – 4	5pm – 5:30pm	9096
3 – 4	5:30pm – 6pm	9093



ROUNDED MINDS

At Rounded Minds™ our mission is to make top-level extracurricular activities available, convenient and affordable, to parents who desire to raise well-rounded children and establish a strong foundation for their lifelong success.

Our unique programming focuses on building strong bodies and minds simultaneously along with the benefits of natural bilingual learning at an early age.

Every Rounded Minds™ class is designed and led by attentive experts committed to providing safe, energetic, creative and fun educational experiences.

Learn more at roundedminds.com



ROUNDED MINDS ART

Classes in our art program help

children develop new artistic skills and craftsmanship while creating unique masterpieces using a wide range of quality materials. Our art instructors expose children to a variety of different artistic styles in classes designed to allow children to express themselves creatively while exercising fine motor, cognitive, language, and listening skills. All Rounded Minds programs have a learning benefit of giving them an introduction to the Spanish language. This will provide them with a good edge for success in their academic future.

DAYS	Wednesdays		
DATES	April 3 – 24		
COURSE ID	TIME	FEE	AGES
8730	5:30pm – 6:30pm	\$40	3 – 4
8731	6pm – 7pm	\$50	5 – 7
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center		

ROUNDED MINDS TUMBLING

The format for all Rounded Minds™ programming is high-energy! Children experience the joy of learning new skills by “doing” through fun activities, songs, and positive reinforcement. Our tumbling program allows young children to enhance their social skills and develop greater strength, flexibility, and coordination – along with a lifelong love of fitness. Classes are taught with a theme to catch the attention of the young gymnast and build skills through creative movement and music. This will provide them the confidence to participate in active exercises as they grow older, and at the same time, they will be learning Spanish. This will provide them with a good edge for success in their academic future.

DAYS	Fridays
DATES	June 7 – July 12 (Not held July 5)
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center

AGES	TIME	FEE	COURSE ID
2 – 3	5:30pm – 6pm	\$45	9424
4 – 6	6pm – 6:45pm	\$55	9605

ROUNDED MINDS BABY FIRST STEPS

The first steps of a baby bring a world of discoveries. How about making this moment even more fun while incorporating an opportunity to learn a new language? Rounded Minds has designed a program for babies between 9 and 18 months that is perfect for developing cognitive, sensory, motor skills and at the same time learning Spanish. All Rounded Minds programs have a learning benefit while children are playing by giving them an introduction to the Spanish language. *This is a parent and child class. The registration applies only to the child.

DATE	May 1 – 29	
DAY	Wednesdays	
COURSE ID	TIMES	AGES
9425	4:30pm – 5pm	9 – 13 months
9426	5pm – 5:30pm	14 – 18 months
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center	
FEE	\$40	

NEW!



ROUNDED MINDS SOCCER & SPANISH IMMERSION

This high-energy fitness program is led by professional soccer coaches who introduce children to fundamental soccer principles, such as using their feet, dribbling, passing, ball control, and shooting by using creative games, positive reinforcement, and even songs. Children will learn the basic rules of the game while practicing sportsmanship and teamwork.

DAY	Saturday	Thursday
DATE	June 1 – July 6	Aug 1 – Sept 5
TIME	9:30am – 10:30am	5:45pm – 6:45pm
FEE	\$65	\$65
COURSE ID	9421	9420
LOCATION	Ashawa Park	
AGES	3 – 6	

ROUNDED MINDS ART & SPANISH SUMMER CAMP

Classes in our art program help children develop new artistic skills and craftsmanship while creating unique masterpieces using a wide range of quality materials. Our art instructors expose children to a variety of different artistic styles in classes designed to allow children to express themselves creatively while exercising fine motor, cognitive, language and listening skills.

DAY	Monday – Friday
DATES	August 5 – 9
TIME	5:45pm – 6:45pm
LOCATION	Quail Cove Park
AGES	3 – 6
COURSE ID	9422
FEE	\$55

ROUNDED MINDS SPORTS EXPLORATION

This 5-week program is a great way for children to experience a variety of new games and activities in a format that is structured, engaging, and most of all... FUN! Rounded Minds prepares children for organized games without the threat of competition or the fear of getting hurt. Children will have an opportunity to explore a new SPORT each class (Soccer, Softball, Flag Football, Volley ball, Rugby), improve motor skills, and participate in fun games that will reinforce listening, teamwork, and the joy of being active! We focus on fundamental motor skills and coordination. This will provide them the confidence to participate in competitive sports as they grow older and at the same time they will be learning Spanish.

DAY	Monday – Friday
DATES	July 15 – 19
TIME	5:45pm – 6:45pm
LOCATION	Scenic Valley Park
AGES	3 – 6
COURSE ID	9423
FEE	\$66

ROUNDED MINDS CREATIVE MOVEMENT

Like other Rounded Minds programs, Creative Movement is a high energy program. Children explore and interact with movement and graphic design. The classes involve experiences and personal growth opportunities. Classes focus on the relationship between rhythm, movement, and drawing. All Rounded Minds programs have a learning benefit while children are playing by giving them an introduction to the Spanish language. The benefits of learning a second language at an early age are numerous: increased problem-solving skills, better at tasks, attention span, and creativity.

NEW!

DAYS	Monday – Friday
DATES	May 3 – 24
TIME	5:30pm – 6:15pm
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center
AGES	3 – 6
COURSE ID	9427
FEE	\$45
MAXIMUM	24



CREATIVE GENIUSES ART CAMP

Students will draw, paint, and sculpt around our seasonal theme, Wild About Art! Students will study the topic of animals to be inspired, grow technical art skills, and have opportunity to share and continue at home upon completion of our program.

DAYS	Wednesday – Friday	DAY	Saturdays
DATES	June 19 – 21	DATES	April 6 – 27
TIME	10:30am – 12:00pm	TIME	1pm – 2:30pm
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center	LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center
AGES	6 – 11	AGES	6 – 11
FEE	\$45	FEE	\$65
COURSE ID	9251	COURSE ID	8507

PREK ART PLAY

DAYS	Wednesday – Friday	DAYS	Saturdays
DATES	June 19 – 21	DATES	April 6 – 27
TIME	9:30am – 10:15am	TIME	12pm – 12:45pm
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center	LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center
AGES	3 – 5	AGES	3 – 5
FEE	\$36	FEE	\$36
COURSE ID	9250	COURSE ID	8505

CREATIVE GENIUSES MURAL MAKERS

Students will learn how to create large scale art in drawing and painting.



DAYS	Wednesday – Friday
DATES	June 19 – 21
TIME	6pm – 8pm
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center
AGES	11 – 14
FEE	\$59
COURSE ID	9252
MAXIMUM	12

CANOE & KAYAK CAMP

Your child will spend two days learning about canoeing and kayaking. They will learn how to upright a capsized kayak and will learn the teamwork of operating a canoe. This camp will fill fast so sign up early!

NEW!

DAYS	Thursday & Friday
DATES	August 8 & 9
TIME	9am – 2pm
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge Classroom
AGES	11 – 13
FEE	\$50
COURSE ID	9518



CYCLE INTO SUMMER

Here is a camp for the younger child who loves to ride bikes! They will explore the bike trails of West Des Moines. The trails are nice and flat, so one speed bikes are fine, but each day we will be riding 5-6 miles. Bike helmets required!

COURSE ID	DATES
9207	June 17 & 18
9198	July 11 & 12
TIME	9am – 2pm
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge
AGES	7 – 9
FEE	\$40
MAXIMUM	12

BIKE BASH

Does your child love to bike? If so, this may be the camp for them! They will spend three days exploring the bike trails of the metro. They will bike the trails of Greenwood Park, Waterworks, Jordan Creek Greenway, Grays Lake and the Principal Park River Walk. There will be lots of time for picnics, splashing in the creek, learning basic bike maintenance, and relaxing rides. Bike helmets required!

DAYS	Wednesday – Friday
DATES	June 19 – 21
TIME	9am – 4pm
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge
AGES	10 – 12
FEE	\$72
COURSE ID	9201
MAXIMUM	15

SUMMER CAMPS

KIDS IN THE KITCHEN

Kids in the Kitchen is an introduction to cooking for young boys and girls. Children involved in the preparation of their meals prove to be healthier eaters, so start them on the right path with this three-week program! The students will be taught everything from mixing and measuring to kitchen safety. In each class, the children will make a snack while learning kitchen basics and cooking techniques. Please feel free to bring an apron to protect clothing from any kitchen messes!

DAYS	Tuesdays and Thursdays	
DATES	July 9 – 25	
AGES	TIME	COURSE ID
5 – 6	4pm – 5pm	9181
7 – 8	5:30pm – 6:30pm	9175
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge	
FEE	\$29	
MAXIMUM	10	

NATURE EXPLORERS

Join the West Des Moines Park and Recreation Department and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources as we co-sponsor this camp held at Walnut Woods State Park. Your child will explore their natural surroundings to find materials for some cool crafts. They will learn about nature with games, hikes and songs. A cookout on Thursday will end this fun filled week.

DAYS	Monday – Thursday
DATES	July 15 – 18
TIME	9am – 12pm
LOCATION	Walnut Woods State Park Lodge 3155 Walnut Woods Drive, WDM
AGES	6 – 8
FEE	\$44 (Includes camp t-shirt)
COURSE ID	9206
MAXIMUM	18



CREEPY CRAWLERS CAMP

This week is for kids who love to hunt insects, pick up worms and play in the creek. Your child will have lots of fun learning as we go on frog hunts, insect safaris and look under every rock or trash can for “cool” critters!

DAYS	DATE	TIMES	COURSE ID
Monday – Wednesday	June 10 – 12	1pm – 4pm	9208
Wednesday – Friday	June 26 – 28	9am – 12pm	9199

LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge
AGES	6 – 8
FEE	\$39 (Includes camp t-shirt)
MAXIMUM	15



MYTH BUSTER CAMP

Can eggs cook on a sidewalk on a hot summer day? Can you dissolve a metal screw with cola? Is yawning contagious? Does spitting on a worm attract fish? Join our “mythbusters” team and put these and other myths to the test.



DAYS	Monday & Tuesday	
DATES	July 1 & 2	
AGES	TIME	COURSE ID
7 – 9	9am – 12pm	9196
8 – 10	1pm – 4pm	9193
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge	
FEE	\$26	
MAXIMUM	15	

CAMP FISH

This camp is for the boy or girl who really enjoys fishing and being outside. Of course they won't fish all the time. Your child will be introduced to the wonderful world of nature with a cook-out, outdoor games and geocaching.

DAYS	Thursday & Friday
DATES	June 6 – 7
TIME	9am – 4pm
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge
AGES	10 – 12
FEE	\$49 (Includes camp t-shirt)
COURSE ID	9183
MAXIMUM	10



LET'S GO FISHING

You can't beat a summer day, sitting next to Blue Heron Lake and fishing. Get out of the house and enjoy the summer as you learn about fish and some of the secrets to catching them. We have the poles and bait so what's keeping you from joining the fun?

AGES	DAYS	DATES	TIME	COURSE ID
7 – 9	Wednesday – Friday	June 12 – 14	9am – 12pm	9204
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge			
FEE	\$39 (Includes camp t-shirt)			
MAXIMUM	15			

SUMMER CAMPS

WILD FOR WATER

Be ready to have lots of fun in the sun as you explore the water worlds around you. You will go fishing, hiking and creek sloshing. You will get to try your hand at kayaking and spend a day at Valley View Aquatic Center. Water games and contests will be the rule as you learn and have fun at the same time!

DAYS	Monday – Friday	
AGES	DATES	COURSE ID
7 – 9	July 15 –19	9189
9 – 11	June 24 – 28	9202
TIME	1pm – 4pm	
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge	
FEE	\$59 (Includes camp t-shirt and day pass to aquatic center)	
MAXIMUM	18	

WATER ADVENTURE CAMP

Join us for some water adventure! Your child will canoe, fish, kayak, hike and cook out on a Raccoon River sand bar (All participants must wear a life jacket during all water activities outside the pool!) It's sure to be lots of fun. Registration is limited, so sign up early!

DAYS	Monday – Thursday	
DATES	July 29 – August 1	
TIME	9am – 4pm	
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge	
AGES	11 – 13	
FEE	\$94 (Includes camp t-shirt)	
COURSE ID	9184	
MAXIMUM	15	

YOUTH AXE THROWING

Participants will be taught axe safety, axe throwing techniques and games. *Parents are asked to remain on site during the workshop.*

DAYS	Saturday	
DATES	July 13	
TIME	9am – 11:30am	
LOCATION	Ironside Axe Club 2700 University Ave., Suite 100, WDM	
AGES	8 – 14	
FEE	\$22	
COURSE ID	9678	

EXPLORE

Do you have a child that can't stand to stay indoors regardless of the weather? If so, these day camps may be just what you have been looking for. Your child will have the opportunity to really explore Raccoon River Park. You may sign them up for one or all of the Explore days.

DAY	DATE	THEME	COURSE ID
Monday	August 5	Creek Hikin' – Nothing says "Fun!" like wading and playing in a creek. This day is for the child who wants to get muddy looking for frogs, snagging minnows and splashing in the creek!	9197
Tuesday	August 6	Archery – This day will give you a "taste" of archery! You will learn the basics of target style archery and have some outdoor fun in the process!	9182
Wednesday	August 7	River Rats! – Your child will have the time of their lives exploring river sand bars and floodplain forests of the Raccoon River. A picnic lunch complete with s'mores will make this day of exploration unforgettable!	9190

TIME	9am – 4pm	
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge	
AGES	9 – 12	
FEE	\$24 per day	
MAXIMUM	12 per day	

TOM KARPAN RELAYS

Don't miss this special annual track and field event for kids ages 5-14! Winners of qualifying events will be eligible to take part in the Iowa State Track and Field Meet in Marshalltown!

Races will be grouped according to age (5, 6, 7, 8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14) and gender. A participant's age is as of December 31, 2019. An award ribbon will be given for each heat/event. The fastest time or longest distance recorded for each event (ages 7-14) will be eligible to attend the State Track and Field Meet in Marshalltown in June.

These participants will be notified by email May 24 of their eligibility. Register at the event.

DAY	Thursday	
DATE	May 16	
TIME	5:30pm – 8:30pm	

EVENT	AGES
200 Meter Dash	7 – 14
Softball Throw	7 – 14
Standing Long Jump	7 – 14
50 Meter Dash	5 – 6, 7 – 10
100 Meter Dash	5 – 6, 7 – 14
400 Meter Dash	9 – 14
1600 Meter Run	13 – 14
4 x 100 Meter Relay	9 – 14

LOCATION	Valley High School Track	
FEE	FREE	

HOLIDAY PARK BASEBALL

To register or for more information go to www.sportsplexwest.com.



It's hard to believe looking outside right now that baseball season is quickly approaching! Believe it or not, the Open Baseball League of West Des Moines registrations have officially begun.

The OBL is a recreational league designed for players age 5U thru 15U. Player tryouts & draft day will be held at Sportsplex West in Waukee and the dates are TBD (more information coming soon).

When: 4/15—6/14

Who: 5U—15U

Registrations due:

March 3rd

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Please contact Blake Marchant with any questions about the OBL or to volunteer.

bmarchant@sportsplexwest.com



SPECIAL NEEDS NIGHT POOL PARTY!

Join us where our special population has the pool to themselves! In partnership with Courage League Sports, enjoy an evening of fun reserved just for your special person and your family.

Pre-registration required.



DAY	DATES	TIMES	COURSE ID
Saturday	June 22	6:30pm – 8:30pm	9254
Saturday	July 13	6:30pm – 8:30pm	9253

LOCATION	Holiday Aquatic Center
AGES	ALL
FEE	FREE

COURAGE LEAGUE SPORTS

Courage League Sports is a non-profit adaptive sports and recreation program offering year-round opportunities for children and adults who are not able to go full speed due to a physical, cognitive or emotional disability. By adapting the pace, equipment or nature of an activity, Courage League can provide a safe and accessible environment where participants can go at their own speed.

All programs will include super hero training, fitness, group games, music/movement, seasonal sports plus lots of fun and social skill development!



CUB LEAGUE

DAYS	DATES	TIME	AGES	COURSE ID	LOCATION
Thursday	May 2 – 23	4:45pm – 5:30pm	2 – 6	9699	Valley Community Center
M, W & F	June 24 – 28	8:30am – 9:30am	2 – 6	9708	Jaycee Park Shelter
M & W	July 29 – 31	8:30am – 9:30am	2 – 6	9710	Jaycee Park Shelter
FEE	\$45				

TIGER LEAGUE

DAYS	DATES	TIME	AGES	COURSE ID	LOCATION
Thursday	May 2 – 23	4:45pm – 5:30pm	7 – 11	9715	Valley Community Center
M, W & F	June 24 – 28	8:30am – 9:30am	7 – 11	9700	Jaycee Park Shelter
M & W	July 29 – 31	9:30am – 9:30am	7 – 11	9711	Jaycee Park Shelter
FEE	\$45				

LION LEAGUE

DAYS	DATES	TIME	AGES	COURSE ID	LOCATION
Thursday	May 2 – 23	5:30pm – 6:15pm	12 – 17	9701	Valley Community Center
M, W & F	June 24 – 28	9:30am – 10:30am	12 – 17	9709	Jaycee Park Shelter
M & W	July 29 – 31	9:30am – 10:30am	12 – 17	9712	Jaycee Park Shelter
FEE	\$45				

ACTIVE ADULTS

DAYS	DATES	TIME	AGES	COURSE ID	LOCATION
Thursday	May 2 – 23	10am – 11am	18+	9697	Valley Community Center
Thursday	May 2 – 23	5:30pm – 6:15pm	18+	9698	Valley Community Center
M, W & F	June 24 – 28	9:30am – 10:30am	18+	9713	Jaycee Park Shelter
M & W	July 29 – 31	9:30am – 10:30am	18+	9714	Jaycee Park Shelter
FEE	\$45				

Tennis Director — Bunny Bruning
Bunny played on the WTA Professional tour for 9 years and acquired rankings of #41 in singles and #8 in doubles. She has been a USPTA professional since 1987 and has been teaching and coaching for over 30 years.

Lead Instructor — Daniel Pitz
Daniel has been a USPTA professional since 1987 and an Associate Tennis Teaching Pro at Wakonda Club since April 2014. Lived in Japan and taught Japanese Tennis School and private contractor from 1990 – 1998, 2000 – 2014.



YOUTH TENNIS LEAGUE

Lessons for youth from beginner to advanced will feature fun, skill development, footwork, games and lots of hitting.

DAY	Saturday
TIME	11:30am – 1pm
DATES	COURSE ID
June 15 – 29	9460
July 13 – 27	9461
August 3 – 17	9462
AGES	13 - 17 yrs
FEE	\$24

YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS

Lessons for youth from beginner to advanced will feature fun, skill development, footwork, games and lots of hitting.

DATES	FEE	TIME	COURSE ID	DAYS
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FUTURE STARS (5 - 8 yrs)

** Future Stars participants have a choice of a new tennis racket or a bat*

June 15 – 29	\$33	9am – 10am	9454	Saturday
July 13 – 27	\$33	9am – 10am	9455	Saturday
August 3 – 17	\$33	9am – 10am	9456	Saturday
June 10 – 27	\$132	9am – 10am	9434	M, T, W, TH
July 8 – 25	\$132	9am – 10am	9441	M, T, W, TH
July 29 – August 15	\$132	9am – 10am	9448	M, T, W, TH

ACES (9 - 12 yrs)

June 15 – 29	\$33	10am – 11:30am	9457	Saturday
July 13 – 27	\$33	10am – 11:30am	9458	Saturday
August 3 – 17	\$33	10am – 11:30am	9459	Saturday
June 10 – 27	\$132	10am – 11:30am	9435	M, T, W, TH
July 8 – 25	\$132	10am – 11:30am	9442	M, T, W, TH
July 29 – August 15	\$132	10am – 11:30am	9451	M, T, W, TH
June 11 – 27	\$66	5:30pm – 6:30pm	9438	T, TH
July 9 – 25	\$66	5:30pm – 6:30pm	9439	T, TH
July 30 – August 15	\$66	5:30pm – 6:30pm	9449	T, TH

HIGH SCHOOL (13 - 17 yrs)

June 10 – 27	\$132	11:30am – 1pm	9436	M, T, W, TH
July 8 – 25	\$132	11:30am – 1pm	9443	M, T, W, TH
July 29 – August 15	\$132	11:30am – 1pm	9447	M, T, W, TH

LOCATION	Crossroads Park Tennis Courts
MAXIMUM	24 per class

LITTLE CHAMPS (4 & under)

(Little Champs participants receive a new tennis racket)

DAY	Monday – Thursday		
DATES	FEE	TIME	COURSE ID
June 10 – 27	\$60	8:30am – 9am	9433
July 8 – 25	\$60	8:30am – 9am	9440
July 29 – August 15	\$60	8:30am – 9am	9450

YOUTH GOLF LESSONS

Whether you are an experienced golfer or just starting out, this class can help you. Group instruction will be provided along with individual instruction as needed. Lessons are held at West Grand Golf. Amenities include: Target Greens, Putting Greens and Practice Bunkers. Participants will learn Putting, Chipping, Iron Play and Woods and/or Metals. Registrants will need to bring all clubs to the first class.

DAYS	Monday – Thursday	
DATES	TIME	COURSE ID
June 17 – 20	8:30am – 9:30am	9403

LOCATION	West Grand Golf, 6450 Raccoon River Road (1 mile west off of west I-35)
AGES	8+
MAXIMUM	12 per class
FEE	\$55 per person

PEEWEE T-BALL

Are you looking for a way to introduce softball or baseball to your 5-7 year old but don't want to enroll them in a program that is too competitive or time-consuming? Register them for our youth sports program, PeeWee T-Ball! This program is designed as a fun way for children to learn the basics of softball and baseball. Our staff will help guide each team through the fundamentals of hitting, catching, fielding, and base running. Teams are determined upon arrival each night of play.



DAYS	Thursdays	
DATES	June 6 – July 11 (Not held on July 4)	
COURSE ID	TIME	AGES
9064	5:30pm – 6:30pm	5 – 6
9062	6:30pm – 7:30pm	6 – 7
DATES	July 18 – August 15	
COURSE ID	TIME	AGES
9056	5:30pm – 6:30pm	5 – 6
9063	6:30pm – 7:30pm	6 – 7
LOCATION	American Legion Park Ball Diamond	
MAXIMUM	20 per session	
FEE	\$55	

Basic Game Format:

- No score kept
- No strike-outs
- No walks
- No pitching (only a tee will be used)
- 4 innings = standard game
- 1 inning = all players batting through

Supplies Provided:

- Bats
- Balls
- Tee
- Bases

Supplies To Bring:

- Tennis shoes
- Glove
- Water bottle
- Program Jersey
(handed out on 1st night of play)

Youth Tech Inc. in cooperation with Des Moines Area Community College West Campus's Celebrate! Innovation program is an interactive computer camp that focuses on providing enrichment opportunities to students in the world of computers. With a caring environment at the core of camp values, Youth Tech strives to create a positive learning community that encourages creativity, fun and academic excellence. For more information about Youth Tech Inc. **please visit our web site at www.youthtechinc.com**

LOCATION	DMACC West Campus • 5959 Grand Ave • WDM • RM210E
DAYS	Monday – Thursday

VIDEO GAME DESIGN

DATES	June 10 – 13
TIME	1pm – 4pm
AGES	10 – 17
FEE	\$175
COURSE ID	9598
MAXIMUM	12

DATES	July 15 – 18
TIME	9am – 12pm
AGES	10 – 17
FEE	\$175
COURSE ID	9599
MAXIMUM	5

ROBOTICS/BATTLE BOTS

DATES	June 10 – 13
TIME	9am – 12pm
AGES	9 – 15
FEE	\$160
COURSE ID	9415
MAXIMUM	9

DATES	July 22 – 25
TIME	1pm – 4pm
AGES	9 – 15
FEE	\$160
COURSE ID	9600
MAXIMUM	9

ROBLOX STUDIO-GAMING AND GAME DEVELOPMENT

DATES	June 17 – 20
TIME	1pm – 4pm
AGES	9 – 15
FEE	\$155
COURSE ID	9604
MAXIMUM	15

iGAME CREATOR

DATES	June 17 – 20
TIME	9:30am – 12pm
AGES	6 – 10
FEE	\$125
COURSE ID	9416
MAXIMUM	15

DATES	August 5 – 8
TIME	1pm – 3:30pm
AGES	6 – 10
FEE	\$125
COURSE ID	9602
MAXIMUM	5

ANIMATION

DATES	June 24 – 27
TIME	1pm – 4pm
AGES	9 – 15
FEE	\$160
COURSE ID	9412
MAXIMUM	10

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DATES	June 24 – 27
TIME	9:30am – 12pm
AGES	6 – 12
FEE	\$125
COURSE ID	9410
MAXIMUM	12

DATES	August 5 – 8
TIME	9:30am – 12pm
AGES	6 – 12
FEE	\$125
COURSE ID	9597
MAXIMUM	5

APPLICATION DESIGN

DATES	July 8 – 11
TIME	1pm – 4pm
AGES	9 – 17
FEE	\$155
COURSE ID	9409
MAXIMUM	12

IMOBILE GAME DESIGN

DATES	July 8 – 11
TIME	9:30am – 12pm
AGES	6 – 12
FEE	\$120
COURSE ID	9413
MAXIMUM	12

3D GAME DESIGN

DATES	July 15 – 18
TIME	1pm – 4pm
AGES	10 – 17
FEE	\$160
COURSE ID	9411
MAXIMUM	5

THE GAMING ACADEMY

DATES	July 15 – 18
TIME	9am – 4pm
AGES	10 – 17
FEE	\$305
COURSE ID	9601
MAXIMUM	10

MOVIE MAKERS

DATES	July 22 – 25
TIME	9am – 12pm
AGES	9 – 15
FEE	\$150
COURSE ID	9414
MAXIMUM	15

ROBOTICS/GAMES, MAZES & PROGRAMMING

DATES	July 29 – August 1
TIME	1pm – 4pm
AGES	10 – 17
FEE	\$160
COURSE ID	9419
MAXIMUM	8

YOUNG ENGINEERS

DATES	July 29 – August 1
TIME	9:30am – 12pm
AGES	6 – 12
FEE	\$120
COURSE ID	9417
MAXIMUM	10

GAMING AND CODING

DATES	August 5 – 8
TIME	9:30am – 3:30pm
AGES	6 – 12
FEE	\$255
COURSE ID	9603
MAXIMUM	7



LEE COLE'S MAGICAMP

Magicamp is for anyone who likes to have fun. You'll spend two days learning from professional magician **Lee Cole** on how to entertain and amaze your friends, family and classmates. You'll learn tricks that can be done anywhere, at any time, and for the rest of your life. All magic materials are provided.

DATES	TIME	COURSE ID
June 17 & 19	9am – 11:45am	9103
July 22 & 24	9am – 11:45am	9101
August 12 & 14	9am – 11:45am	9102
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge	
AGES	7 – 15	
FEE	\$45	
MAXIMUM	22	

PLANET 7

Do you want your child to have a chance to see what Jr. High has in store for them? The Planet 7 program will offer an opportunity for 6th graders entering 7th grade to:

- build self-esteem
- learn how to deal with peer pressure
- meet new friends
- learn time management and study skills
- familiarize themselves with a new school

DATES	COURSE ID STILWELL	COURSE ID INDIAN HILLS
July 15 – 19	9068	9071
July 22 – 26	9072	9074
July 29 – August 2	9073	9070
August 5 – 9	9067	9069

TIME	DAY
9am – 4pm	Monday – Thursday
6:45am – 8:30pm	Friday
LOCATION	Stilwell or Indian Hills
AGES	Incoming 7th Graders
FEE	\$160
MAXIMUM	49 per session



Other fun aspects of the program include trips to:

- Val Lanes
- Valley View Aquatic Center
- Friday's trip to World's of Fun in Kansas City, MO.

All incoming 7th graders for the fall of 2019 in the West Des Moines Public School District are eligible to register in the program. **Registration begins March 5, 2019 at 8am.**



ARCHERY AND THE OUTDOORS!

During this camp your child will learn about archery equipment, safe archery techniques and how to safely shoot competition style archery. These classes will be taught by a certified NASP teacher. Your children will get a taste of the great outdoors and the opportunities it holds while at this half-day camp.

DAYS	Monday – Thursday	
DATES	July 22 – 25	
TIMES	LEVEL	COURSE ID
9am – 12pm	Beginner	9210
1pm – 4pm	Novice	9191
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Nature Lodge	
AGES	10 – 13	
FEE	\$44	
MAXIMUM	18 per session	



Beginner – No archery experience needed

Novice – This student has had some archery experience

YOUTH ARCHERY LESSONS

Does your child want to learn more about archery? Maybe they would benefit from some group archery lessons. Each lesson time will be limited to six archers. Lessons will be taught by a NASP certified teacher.



DAYS	Wednesdays	
DATES	June 5 – 19	
TIMES	COURSE ID	
9am – 9:45am	9218	
9:45am – 10:30am	9221	
4pm – 4:45pm	9216	
4:45pm – 5:30pm	9217	
LOCATION	Raccoon River Archery Facility	
AGES	10 – 13	
FEE	\$21	
MAXIMUM	6 per session	

MAGICAL MATS YOGA (KIDS YOGA)

This class encourages younger children to experience yoga. Using yoga postures in games, stories and playing make believe; children can improve motor skills, flexibility, balance, strength, concentration and self esteem while having fun. Children will also be introduced to relaxation and breathing techniques.

Come join with your child in a bonding experience using the power of yoga lead by Jayla Clark.

DAYS	Saturdays	
TIMES	9:15am – 9:45am	
DATES	COURSE ID	
June 1 – 29	9452	
July 3 – August 10	9453	
LOCATION		
AGES	3 – 12	
FEE	\$45	



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Perfect For Everybody and everybody! Each Zumba® class is designed to bring people together to sweat it on.

How It Works

We take the “work” out of workout, by mixing low-intensity and high-intensity moves for an interval-style, calorie-burning dance fitness party. Once the Latin and World rhythms take over, you’ll see why Zumba® Fitness classes are often called exercise in disguise. Super effective? Check. Super fun? Check and check.

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A total workout, combining all elements of fitness – cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility, boosted energy and a serious dose of awesome each time you leave class.

Instructor: Eva Otanez

515-419-9523 • www.eva123.zumba.com

SESSION 1	
DATE	April 8 – May 16
COURSE ID	8552

SESSION 2	
DATE	May 29 – July 4
COURSE ID	9237

SESSION 3	
DATE	July 15 – August 22
COURSE ID	9232

TIME	5:15 – 6:15pm
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center
DAYS	Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays
FEE	\$90
Optional Punch Card: 10 classes for \$60	

BALLROOM DANCING LEVEL I & II

ABSOLUTE BEGINNER & BEYOND

This class is for absolute beginners and for anyone who has some knowledge of various ballroom dances. It will be a great class for Level I review and for those who would like to add additional figures beyond that class. These courses teach: Foxtrot, Swing (East Coast), Waltz, and Rumba. We will teach 4-6 figures in each dance as we progress through the class. When you complete this course you should be comfortable going to wedding reception dances, cruises, or social dances at business functions and various venues around the Greater Des Moines Area. PLEASE NOTE a Special class of Country Two Step and Cha Cha in May. COUPLES ENCOURAGED Any questions, please contact Jim and Suzi Benjamin at DanceInfo@DesMoinesDance.org

DAY	Sundays
TIME	12:30pm – 1:30pm

DATES	COURSE ID	FEE per person
April 28 – June 23 (No class 5/26)	9238	\$60
July 7 – August 25	9240	\$60
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center	

DAY	Thursdays
TIME	6:45pm – 7:45pm

DATES	COURSE ID	FEE per person
May 2 – June 20	9243	\$60
July 11 – August 29	9244	\$60
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center	

BALLROOM DANCING LEVEL II AND LEVEL III:

BEYOND BEGINNER

This ballroom class is for anyone who has completed Level 1 classes or has equivalent experience in dancing and training. If you know some of these dances well you may attend the associated classes. This course teaches 1 dance for 2 weeks before moving on to another dance. Class begins with a review and then new figures and techniques will be added. This is not a single course and as many as 4 months will be required to cover all the various dances being taught at this level.

DAY	Sundays
TIME	1:30pm – 2:30pm

DATES	COURSE ID	FEE per person
April 28 – June 23 (No class 5/26)	9241	\$60
July 7 – August 25	9245	\$60
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center	

PLEASE NOTE! This is a couple’s only class. Formation classes are by invitation only but you may sign up for the formation class and then practice in any of our classes in addition to your primary class. Any questions, please contact Jim and Suzi Benjamin at DanceInfo@DesMoinesDance.org

BALLROOM DANCING LEVEL III AND LEVEL IIII:

INTERMEDIATE

This ballroom class is for anyone who has completed Level 1 and Level 2 classes or has equivalent experience in dancing and training. If you know some of these dances well you may attend the associated classes. This course teaches 1 dance for 2 or 3 weeks before moving on to another dance. Jim and Suzi will review all the figures taught in previous Level 1/2 classes. They will then add figures and technique to each dance as we progress through the class. This is not a single course and as many as 6 months will be required to cover all the various dances being taught at this level. Dances not included in Level 1/2 class curriculum will be taught at a beginning level as we introduce new dances to the students.

DAY	Mondays
TIME	6:45pm – 7:45pm

DATES	COURSE ID	FEE per person
April 29 – June 24 (No class 5/27)	9239	\$60
July 8 – August 26	9242	\$60
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center	

PLEASE NOTE! This is a couple’s only class. Formation classes are by invitation only but you may sign up for the formation class and then practice in any of our classes in addition to your primary class.

VARIETY DANCE CLASSES – Beginner Levels 1 and 2

These courses will teach a single dance for 4 or 5 weeks allowing you to concentrate on that dance alone. These courses are couples only courses. Level I & Level II courses are for anyone who is an absolute beginner or someone who has had some dancing experience either in the dance listed or in other dances.

DAY	Sundays
TIME	2:30pm – 3:30pm

DATES	COURSE ID	FEE per person	DANCE
April 28 – May 19	9259	\$35	Country Waltz
July 7– 28	9260	\$35	Mambo / Salsa 2
LOCATION	Valley Junction Activity Center		

ADULT SPORTS

ADULT



ADULT TENNIS LESSONS

Lessons for adults new to tennis as well as advanced will be focused on improving student stroke, technique, skills, footwork, strategy and match play. Courts and students will be organized by ability and experience to maximize student improvement and enjoyment.

DAYS	Tuesdays & Thursdays
DATES	COURSE ID
June 11 – 27	9444
July 9 – 25	9445
July 30 – Aug 15	9446
TIME	6:30pm – 7:30pm
LOCATION	Crossroads Park Tennis Courts
MAXIMUM	24 per class
FEE	\$66

COED BADMINTON OPEN GYM

Drop in for recreational pick-up badminton matches.

DAYS	Sundays
DATES	February 24 – August 25
TIME	2:30pm – 5pm
LOCATION	Valley Southwoods – 625 S. 35th St.
FEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$2 WDM school district residents • \$3 non-residents due on site

Tennis Director — Bunny Bruning

Bunny played on the WTA Professional tour for 9 years and acquired rankings of #41 in singles and #8 in doubles. She has been a USPTA professional since 1987 and has been teaching and coaching for over 30 years.

Lead Instructor — Daniel Pitz

Daniel has been a USPTA professional since 1987 and an Associate Tennis Teaching Pro at Wakonda Club since April 2014. Lived in Japan and taught Japanese Tennis School and private contractor from 1990 – 1998, 2000 – 2014.

HORSESHOE PITCHING LEAGUE

Summer Season

This coed league is designed for all levels of ability (players will be handicapped). Prizes and traveling trophy awarded. Free pitching instruction available through the week.

DAYS	Wednesdays
DATES	May 1 – July 31
TIME	6:30pm – 8:30pm
AGES	12+
LOCATION	Holiday Park Horseshoe Courts
FEE	\$3 league fee due 2nd night of play
TO REGISTER	Call LeRoy Law at 681-1937 or just show up

ADULT GOLF LESSONS

Whether you are an experienced golfer or just starting out, this class can help you. Group instruction will be provided along with individual instruction as needed. Lessons are held at West Grand golf and amenities include: Target Greens, Putting Greens and Practice Bunkers. Participants will learn Putting, Chipping, Iron Play and Woods and/or Metals. Registrants will need to bring all clubs to the first class.



DAYS	Monday — Thursday
DATES	May 13 – 16
TIME	6:30pm – 7:30pm
LOCATION	West Grand Golf – 6450 Raccoon River Dr. (1 mile west off of I-35)
COURSE ID	9402
MAXIMUM	15 participants
INSTRUCTOR	Sarah Ward
FEE	\$55

RACCOON RIVER PARK SOFTBALL COMPLEX



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ADULT SOFTBALL

Spring Season

GENERAL SOFTBALL LEAGUE INFO

CONTACT	Please call 222-3444 to have application mailed, emailed or faxed to you.
DEADLINE TO APPLY	Thursday, April 4 by 4pm
GAME TIMES	Generally 6:15pm – 9:15pm
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Softball Complex

MEN'S COMMERCIAL SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Competitive 12" slow pitch softball leagues. Games are staffed with one umpire and an official score keeper. Teams play a 14-game doubleheader round robin schedule.

LEAGUE	DAY	START DATE	AGES
Men's DBHD B	Tuesday	April 23	Adults (18 & older and out of high school)
Men's DBHD C	Tuesday	April 23	
Men's 50+	Sunday	April 28	50 yrs & older (Must turn 50 by 12/31/19)
FEE	\$405 entry fee + tax, ASA, WDM Adult SB Player Fee, Non-resident fees		

MEN'S RECREATIONAL "50 PLUS" DRAFT SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Recreational 12" slow pitch softball league for men over 50 years old. Teams play a 9-game schedule. All games are staffed with an umpire and an official score keeper.

LEAGUE (Season)	DAY	START DATE	COURSE ID	AGES
Spring	Wednesday	April 24	9113	50 yrs & older (Must turn 50 by 12/31/19)
Summer	Wednesday	July 10	9111	
Both	Wednesday	April 24	9110	
FEE	\$25 individual entry fee per season \$45 individual entry fee for both seasons			

COED COMMERCIAL SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Competitive 12" slow pitch softball leagues. Games are staffed with one umpire and an official score keeper. Teams play a 14-game doubleheader schedule.

LEAGUE	DAY	START DATE
Coed	Thursday	April 25
Coed	Sunday	April 28
AGES	Adults (18 & older and out of high school)	
FEE	\$405 entry fee + tax, ASA, WDM Adult SB Player Fee, Non-resident fees.	

MEN'S AND COED RECREATION SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Recreational 12" slow pitch men's softball leagues. Teams play a 14-game round robin doubleheader schedule. Carpet used to call balls and strikes, umpire your own games. All games staffed with an official score keeper.

LEAGUE	DAY	START DATE
Men's DbHd Rec.	Monday	April 22
Men's DbHd Rec.	Wednesday	April 24
Coed DbHd Rec.	Wednesday	April 24
Men's DbHd Rec.	Thursday	April 25
AGES	Adults (18 & older and out of high school)	
FEE	\$260 entry fee + tax, ASA, WDM Adult SB Player Fee, Non-resident fees.	

COED RECREATION SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Recreational 12" slow pitch coed softball leagues. Teams play a 6-game schedule. Carpet used to call balls and strikes, umpire your own game. All games staffed with an official score keeper.

LEAGUE	DAY	START DATE	AGES
B	Sunday	April 28	Adults (18 & older and out of high school)
C	Sunday	April 28	
D	Sunday	April 28	
E	Sunday	April 28	
C/D	Wednesday	April 24	
C/D	Thursday	April 25	
FEE	\$190 entry fee + tax, ASA, WDM Adult SB Player Fee, Non-resident fees.		



*ADULT ATHLETIC LEAGUE TEAM ACCEPTANCE POLICY

The Adult Athletic League Team Acceptance Policy applies to all adult athletic leagues. The order of priority is as follows:

- 1.) **Returning Teams.** Defined as having at least 51% of last season's roster.
 - a.) Teams who participated in the league the previous season.
 - b.) Teams who participated in the league the previous year.
 - c.) Teams may be placed in another division at Department's option to equalize competition.

- 2.) **New Teams.** Teams that did not participate in the league the previous season or year.

- 3.) **Late Teams.** Any team that does not meet the established deadlines will be accepted at the Department's discretion.

If more teams apply than we have space for, priority will be given to teams with the highest percentage of players on their roster residing within the City of West Des Moines School District in all cases except softball, where City boundaries apply.



Team Roster Sign Up

HOW TO ADD YOUR TEAM ROSTER ONLINE

Important Notes

- 1) Our organization is using this process for you to register your Team and collect payments.
- 2) Our organization is using this process so you have an easy process to identify what players are on your Team Roster, and, so the organization can track what players are on each team.

TEAM ROSTER PROCESS

1 Sign In

Click the "Enroll" button for the Program you want to register in. The Site has a secure online process, so when you click the "Enroll" button you will be prompted to Sign In.

- If you are a new user, click the "Not registered? Create a new account" link and follow the steps to sign in.
- If you are not a new user, then sign in. If you do not remember your password, click the "Forgot your password?" link and follow the steps to be emailed your password.

2 Add Items To Your Cart

After you Sign In, you will be on the "Add Items To Your Cart" page. On this page:

- 1) From the "Enrollee" list select your name
- 2) From the "Enrollment Type" list select "General"
- 3) From the "Program" list select the program
- 4) From the "Offering" list select the offering
- 5) Click the "Add Enrollment" button
- 6) Repeat the above steps if you want to choose additional offerings.
- 7) When done, click the "Proceed to Checkout" button.

3 Team Information

On the Team Information page, complete all information, then click the "Done" button at the bottom of the page.

4 Checkout

On the Checkout page, click the Place Order button at the bottom of the page.

5 Manage Rosters

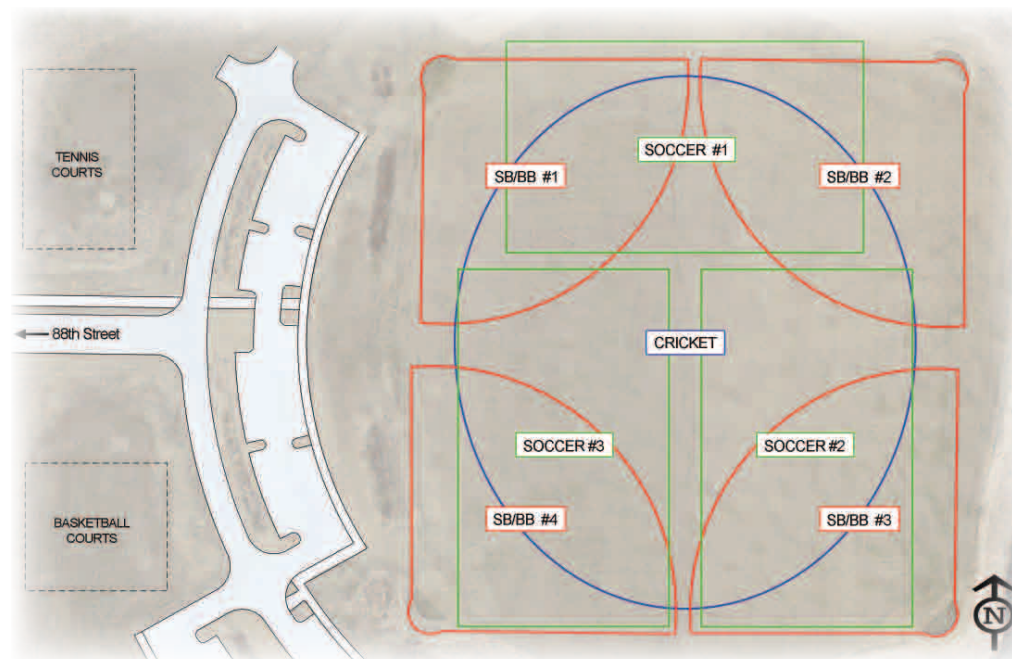
From the order confirmation page, in the top dark blue navigation bar, select "Manage Rosters" and then select your Team Name.

Add to Roster

- Click the Add to Roster button to add players to your Roster.
- When done, click the Submit button so the organization administering the web site knows you have completed your Roster.
- **Important Note: The organization administering the web site can see which rosters are "Submitted" versus not.**

VALLEY VIEW PARK FIELD RESERVATIONS

Reservations will be taken starting the first business day of February each year.



Field Rental Options

Field Type	Rental Season	Hours	Cost to Rent*	Min Hours of Rental
Soccer	Apr 1 – Oct 31	Weekdays 3pm – 9pm; Weekends 7am – 9pm	\$15 per hour	2 hours
Softball/ Baseball	Apr 1 – Oct 31	Weekdays 3pm – 9pm; Weekends 7am – 9pm	\$10 per hour	2 hours
Cricket	Apr 1 – Oct 31	Weekdays 3pm – 9pm; Weekends 7am – 9pm	\$40 per hour	2 hours

*The above rental fees are for individuals and non-profit organizations. For-profit organizations or businesses will pay two (2) times the above rates. The Department reserves the right to limit the number of reservations that can be made by for-profit organizations or businesses.

New Concession Vendor at Raccoon River Softball Complex!

Formaro's Stuffed

Welcome softball players, fans and families! Formaro's Stuffed will be providing all of your food and beverage needs. We are excited to offer a variety of fresh, high quality and award-winning menu items for you to enjoy. In addition to all the standard classics we will have new, made-to-order items, such as our homemade pizza, stuffed pulled pork nachos, stuffed ribeye steak & cheese sandwich and stuffed bacon cheesy hot dogs, just to name a few.

Formaro's Stuffed is adding the following services to help keep your team hydrated and at peak performance. MVP Cooler Service — Let us do the heavy lifting for you. Reserve your team cooler, filled with ice and your choice of beverages. Snack packs and discounted rates on a variety of food and beverages available. We will also offer a beverage station located near the fields for you to grab ice cold beverages and get discounted refill drinks and snack packs for your team cooler. We look forward to serving YOU!

Your Formaro's Stuffed Crew
www.facebook.com/formarostuffed
www.formarostuffed.com

Practice Field Rentals — Raccoon River Park Softball Complex

Youth or Adult Softball or Baseball teams may reserve a weekly practice field.

FEES	\$25 per hour
DAYS AVAILABLE	Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays Will open Wednesdays if these days fill and still have interest.
TIMES AVAILABLE	4:30pm – 5:45pm ok to rent earlier than 4:30pm, but cannot rent after 5:45pm
START DATE	Week of April 8
CLOSED	Monday, May 27 Memorial Day Thursday, July 4 Independence Day Monday, September 2 Labor Day
CONTACT	bruce.mankle@wdm.iowa.gov

COED TOUCH RUGBY - ADULT

Informational meeting/open play will take place on Wednesday, May 29, at 6:15pm. At this meeting we will explain the team organization process and answer questions about the league and allow for open play time. All teams are required to have one woman playing on the field at all times. Please bring a light and dark shirt or reversible jersey. Teams will be determined by ability and teammate preference. There will be a minimum of 10 games played over the five week season. Games last approximately 15 minutes. Babysitters are provided by Des Moines Rugby.



DAYS	Wednesdays
DATES	May 29 – June 26
TIME	6:15pm – 8:45pm
LOCATION	Des Moines Rugby Club 120 39th St. West Des Moines
FEE	\$40
COURSE ID	8536

RAIN BARREL WORKSHOP

Have you ever wanted to build a rain barrel and didn't quite know how to do it? Here is your chance! We will have 55 gal plastic barrels and the tools to turn them into a useful rain barrel for your home.



DAY	Saturday
DATE	March 30
TIME	9:30am – 11am
LOCATION	Raccoon River Nature Lodge
AGES	18+
FEE	\$50
COURSE ID	9264

NEW!

PADDLE BOARD BASICS

Here is your chance to try your luck on a stand up paddle board! They are quite popular and have been given accolades of providing an all body workout! This class will give you a brief introduction and knowledge to make your first paddle board outing a positive one. This class will fill fast so sign up early. (We will meet at the boat ramp at Raccoon River Park.) **Paddle boards provided.**



DAYS	Tuesday
DATE	July 16
TIME	5:30pm – 7pm
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Boat Ramp
AGES	18+
FEE	\$10
COURSE ID	9220
MAXIMUM	10

SAND VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

Non-officiated call your own league. Teams will play 7 matches round robin schedule. Power "A" is the highest competitive level. Power "C" is the lower competitive level.

DAYS	Sunday – Thursday
GAME TIME	6:15pm – 10:30pm
START DATE	May 5
AGES	18 years and out of high school
LOCATION	Valley View Park 101 South 88th Street
DEADLINE	April 18
FEES	\$145 per team, \$14.15 sales tax + Non Resident Player Fee: \$6 per player

NEW!

ADULT OUTDOOR BASKETBALL

This new and exciting program will be offered Spring, Summer and Fall seasons at the newly constructed lighted Valley View basketball courts. Games will be staffed with a score keeper and two officials. Teams will play a 7 game schedule. Please contact the Parks and Recreation Office at 222-3453 for more information.

DAYS	Wednesdays
GAME TIME	6:15pm – 9:15pm
START DATE	May 8
AGES	18 years and out of high school
LOCATION	Valley View Park 101 South 88th Street
DEADLINE TO APPLY	Wednesday, April 25
FEES	\$305 Team Entry Fee + \$18.30 tax. Non Resident Player Fee: \$6 per player

MEN'S "60 PLUS" DROP-IN SOFTBALL

Players who are 58 and older can now drop in, split up into teams and play softball. No pre-registration necessary! Just show up!

DAYS	Tuesdays and Thursdays
DATES	April 9 – October 17
TIME	10am – 12pm
AGES	Must turn 58 by 12/31/19
LOCATION	Raccoon River Park Softball Complex
FEES	\$2 residents, \$3 non-residents



ADULT TENNIS LEAGUE

Saturday morning adult tennis league.

DAYS	Saturdays
TIME	11:30am – 12:30pm
COURSE ID	DATES
9463	June 15 – 29
9464	July 13 – 27
9465	August 3 – 17
AGES	18 & older and out of high school
LOCATION	Crossroads Park Tennis Courts
FEE	\$24



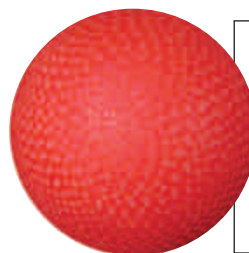
ADULT MEN'S FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUES

SUMMER LEAGUES Men's Flag Football Teams now have another season to play the game they love. Applications will be available in late April. Please call 222-3444 to receive an application by mail, email or fax. Seven-man teams will play a seven game schedule. Applications for **FALL LEAGUES** will be available at the WDM Parks & Recreation Office in August.

DAYS	Wednesdays
START DATE	June 5
GAME TIME	6:15pm – 9:15pm
AGES	18 & older and out of high school
LOCATION	TBD
DEADLINE TO APPLY	Wednesday, May 22
FEE	\$475 entry fee, \$28.50 tax, \$6 non-resident fee

INDIVIDUAL SOFTBALL, VOLLEYBALL, KICKBALL OR FLAG FOOTBALL PLAYERS

Love softball, volleyball, kickball or flag football but just moved to town or don't have a team to play on? Anyone interested in playing in any of our leagues can call Bruce at 222-3454 or e-mail bruce.mankle@wdm.iowa.gov and be placed on an individuals list. We will list your name, phone number and which league you would prefer to play in. This list will then be distributed to all team managers in our leagues and on our website. We can't guarantee you will be placed on a team, but past response has been positive.



ADULT COED KICKBALL LEAGUE SPRING SEASON

Coed Kickball league play this spring at Raccoon River Park Softball Complex. Leagues are offered on Sundays or Tuesdays and start the week of April 22. Call Parks & Recreation office at 222-3453 for registration information.



St. Louis Cardinals vs. Chicago Cubs Double Header

Join us as we travel to the "The Gateway to the West" to take in the rivalry between the Cubs and Cards. This three day, two night package includes: stadium seating on Friday night; premium and all-inclusive seats on Saturday in a box suite on Redbird Row. These seats include: a two-hour, all-you-can-eat picnic buffet; Coca-Cola products throughout the game; Bud and Bud Light beverages through the middle of the 8th inning and your game ticket. (Please note: These seats include indoor/outdoor seating in a box Suite in right field.) This travel package also includes a two night hotel stay, breakfast each morning at the hotel; and roundtrip transportation. Whichever team you cheer for....GO CUBS or GO CARDS, this sports tour will satisfy all baseball fans.

DAYS	Friday – Sunday
DATE	September 27 – 29
TIME	7am departure
LOCATION	St. Louis, MO
FEE per person	Single: \$611 Double: \$486 Triple: \$456 Quad: \$436
REGISTER BY	August 30
DEPARTURE LOCATION	WDM City Hall
COURSE ID	9384

A \$100 non-refundable deposit is due at the time of registration, with the remaining balance due three weeks prior to departure. Because all travel expenses are prepaid, we cannot offer refunds for travel programs.



Day Trips

DAY TRIP INFORMATION

***PLEASE NOTE:** These trips are run in conjunction with Clive Parks & Recreation. Space is limited to the first 50 people that register. These trips generally fill quickly, so please register early. The date listed is a registration cut-off date. These trips are open to people 55 years old and over. All trips depart from the Southeast corner of the Valley West Mall parking lot.

The Brucemore Mansion and Outlets

A visit to Brucemore is a retreat from the routine. The park-like estate invites exploration of its stunning gardens and grounds, fascinating history, and magnificent 21-room mansion. Join us today as we take a guided tour of the mansion, and explore the Brucemore visitor center, which features two exhibitions that introduce you to the estate and its history. The Museum Store features a full line of Brucemore memorabilia, and reflects the lives of the Brucemore families. A delicious lunch stop is also included today. Our second stop will take us to the Williamsburg Outlet Mall, before we venture home. Join us for a beautiful day out in Cedar Rapids and Williamsburg!

DAY	Tuesday
DATE	June 18
TIME	7:30am – 5:30pm
LOCATION	Cedar Rapids & Williamsburg
FEE	\$56
REGISTER BY	May 28
COURSE ID	9642
MAXIMUM	50

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the Historic nature of this home, there will be more walking on this tour, including stairs!

Explore the Outdoors!

Take in the scenes of nature today as we tour the beauty in Central Iowa! First we'll visit Reiman Gardens in Ames. This wonderful outdoor display features a butterfly flight house, herb gardens, wetland gardens and an award-winning rose garden! We'll eat lunch at Hickory Park in Ames before heading to Boone. "All Aboard..." for our afternoon scenic train ride through the Des Moines River Valley! This 15 mile loop passes over two great bridges. Be sure to bring your camera today! Time will also be allowed for shopping in their gift shop, and to tour the NEW Iowa Railway Museum, set to open this spring.

DAY	Wednesday
DATE	July 24
TIME	8:30am – 5:30pm
LOCATION	Ames & Boone
FEE	\$74
REGISTER BY	July 3
COURSE ID	9643
MAXIMUM	50

Discover Iowa Falls

Travel with us today as we discover a few of the highlights that Iowa Falls has to offer! We'll be greeted by our step on guide with morning coffee and treats as we tour throughout several interesting "City Highlights." Our stops will include: The Historic St. Mathew's Church with an organ concert; lunch aboard the Scenic City Empress on the Iowa River; and an afternoon treat before departure.

DAY	Tuesday
DATE	August 6
TIME	8am – 5:30pm
LOCATION	Iowa Falls
FEE	\$68
REGISTER BY	July 16
COURSE ID	9644
MAXIMUM	42

Aquatic Centers • Open June 1

AQUATIC CENTER SEASON PASSES

Aquatic Center Season Passes are on sale NOW at the following locations:

- **Parks & Recreation Office**
at WDM City Hall, 4200 Mills Civic Pkwy
Monday – Friday, 8am – 5pm
- **Valley Junction Activity Center**
217 5th Street
Monday – Friday, 12pm – 5pm

Season Pass	WDM Resident	Non-Resident
Single	\$85	\$130
Two people	\$120	\$170
Each additional person	\$40	\$55
Granny/Nanny add-on (no additional discounts)	\$60	\$60
Purchase before March 29 and SAVE 10%		

Daily Admission	Price
Under 3 years old	FREE
3 – 12 years old	\$5
13 years and up	\$8
Seniors (55+)	\$6

WEATHER POLICY

If the Aquatic Center closes because of weather (electrical storm or cool temperatures) between 12:30pm – 5pm the pool will not reopen until 5:30pm. If weather conditions do not allow the pool to reopen at 5:30pm, the pool will remain closed for the day.

Special Admissions	Days & Details
Family Nights	Wednesday & Sunday - \$12/family (all season at Valley View after 6:30pm, at Holiday after 6:30pm only when swim lessons are not in session)
Half Price Evenings	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday (all season at Valley View after 6:30pm, at Holiday after 5:00pm only when swim lessons are not in session)

SEASON PASS DETAILS:

- Valid at 3 locations! (Holiday and Valley View Aquatic Centers in WDM and the Clive Aquatic Center)
- May include any/all household members 3 years and up.
- All pass holders must have a current photo. Photos can be taken at City Hall or the Valley Junction Activity Center during regular business hours or at the Aquatic Centers starting June 1.
- If you had a season pass last year, you can call 222-3444 and renew your pass over the phone. Parks and Recreation will mail your pass.

OPEN SWIM

Holiday Park Aquatic Center

1701 Railroad Avenue

Hours: Monday – Friday: 11:30am – 7pm
(Closes at 5:30pm during evening swim lessons)
Saturdays 11:30am – 6pm • Sundays 12pm – 5:45pm

Valley View Aquatic Center

255 81st Street

Hours: Sunday – Friday: 12pm – 5:30pm and 6:30 – 8:30pm
Saturday: 12pm – 6pm

TSUNAMI BALANCE BOARD WATER FITNESS

This is a new and exciting class that will be a tremendous workout on the water.

DAYS	DATES	COURSE ID	FEE
Mondays & Wednesdays	June 3 – July 3	9428	\$60
Tuesdays & Thursdays	June 4 – July 2	9429	\$54
Mondays & Wednesdays	July 8 – 31	9430	\$48
Tuesdays & Thursdays	July 9 – August 1	9431	\$48
AGES	18+		
TIME	5:45pm – 6:30pm		
LOCATION	Valley View Aquatic Center		

NEW!

CURRENT WALKING

Join us at the Valley View Aquatic Center's lazy river for a walk against the river's current. Walkers will enjoy a unique resistance, challenging them to get a greater benefit from their stroll.

DAYS	Sunday – Friday
TIME	5:30pm – 6:30pm
AGES	18+
LOCATION	Valley View Aquatic Center
FEE	\$4 per visit (please pay at the aquatic center)

ADULT LAP SWIM

Enjoy a great cardio workout by swimming laps. Valley View Aquatic Center features 25 yard lanes for swimmers to use.

DAYS	Sunday – Friday
TIME	5:30pm – 6:30pm
LOCATION	Valley View Aquatic Center
FEE	\$4 per visit (please pay at the aquatic center)



PARENT & ME SWIM LESSONS

This self-guided program provides an opportunity for parents and their young children to explore the water together. Participants will have a special area of the pool to work together and learn basic water exploration skills. Parents will be given handouts that will provide directions for activities to do with their child.

DAYS	Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
DATES	COURSE ID
June 10 – 21	9348
June 24 – July 12 (No class 7/1 – 7/5)	9372
July 15 – 26	9351
TIME	5:45pm – 6:15pm
AGES	1 – 3 and Adult
LOCATION	Valley View Aquatic Center
FEE	\$35 per session

AQUATIC CENTER RENTALS

Looking for a unique outing for your business, church, or youth group? Why not schedule a private rental at one of the West Des Moines Aquatic Centers? Aquatic Center rentals at either Valley View or Holiday are available **6:30pm to 8:30pm on Saturdays, June 6 – August 3**. Rental fees include all costs. Concessions are available at an extra cost.



Holiday Aquatic Center

- \$800 - Whole Facility

Valley View Aquatic Center

- \$700 - Lazy River - Slides
- \$450 - Leisure Pool - Kids Pool
- \$400 - Lap Pool - Diving Boards - Drop Slide
- \$1,300 - Whole Facility

For more information and reservations please call **222-3440**.



AQUATIC CENTER BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Have your next birthday party in the sun and fun at Valley View or Holiday Aquatic Center! Party packages include: reserved space for 2 hours for your group, admission to the aquatic center for your group, one FREE admission for an accompanying adult, and your choice of a food combo from the concessions for everyone in your party. Your group will also get to use the water slides during a special assigned pool break so there are NO lines to wait in!!

\$150 for the first 10 participants plus 1 adult
(\$15 per additional participant with a maximum of 15 participants.)

PRIVATE SWIM LESSONS

Each child learns and excels differently. Your child will learn to swim or further their skills through private lessons with one-on-one instruction. Instructors will use the Learn-to-Swim progressions but at an individualized pace.

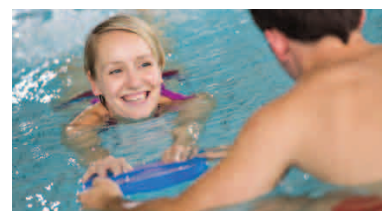
Call 222-3440 for more information and to register

DAYS	Monday – Friday
DATES	June 10 – 14 June 17 – 21 June 24 – 28
TIMES	9am – 9:30am 9:35am – 10:05am 10:10am – 10:40am
LOCATION	Holiday Aquatic Center
FEE	\$115 per session

ADULT SWIM LESSONS

Learn to swim or improve your skills in this class for adults.

DAYS	Monday – Thursday
DATES	June 10 – 20
TIMES	6:15pm – 6:45pm
AGES	18+
LOCATION	Holiday Aquatic Center
FEE	\$45 per session
COURSE ID	9294



SWIM LESSONS | RED CROSS LEVELS OF INSTRUCTION

American Red Cross Skill Progress Levels:



PRE-SCHOOL 1: 3 & 4 year olds

Water Exploration: Putting face under water, bubble blowing, kicking, supported kick on front and back.

PRE-SCHOOL 2: 3 & 4 year olds

Children will kick and glide on front and back and learn basic swimming skills.

Level 1-5 lessons have a minimum age requirement of 5 years old

LEVEL 1 – INTRODUCTION TO WATER SKILLS

Helps participants feel comfortable in the water.

- Enter and exit water using ladder, steps or side
- Blow bubbles through mouth and nose • Bobbing
- Open eyes under water and retrieve submerged objects
- Front and back glides and floats
- Recover to vertical position
- Roll from front to back and back to front
- Tread water using arm and hand actions
- Alternating and simultaneous leg actions on front and back
- Alternating and simultaneous arm actions on front and back
- Combined arm and leg actions on front and back

LEVEL 2 – FUNDAMENTAL AQUATIC SKILLS

Gives participants success with fundamental skills.

- Enter and exit water by stepping or jumping from the side
- Fully submerge and hold breath
- Bobbing
- Open eyes under water and retrieve submerged objects
- Front, jellyfish and tuck floats
- Front and back glides and floats
- Recover to vertical position
- Roll from front to back and back to front
- Change direction of travel while swimming on front or back
- Tread water using arm and leg actions
- Combined arm and leg actions on front and back
- Finning arm action

LEVEL 3 – STROKE DEVELOPMENT

Builds on the skills in Level 2 through additional guided practice in deeper water.

- Enter water by jumping from the side
- Head first entries from the side in sitting and kneeling positions
- Bobbing while moving toward safety • Rotary breathing
- Survival float • Back float
- Change from vertical to horizontal position on front and back
- Tread water
- Flutter, scissor, dolphin and breaststroke kicks on front
- Front crawl and elementary backstroke

LEVEL 4 STROKE IMPROVEMENT

Develops confidence in the skills learned and improves other aquatic skills.

- Head first entries from the side in compact and stride positions
- Swim under water
- Feet first surface dive
- Survival swimming
- Front crawl and backstroke open turns
- Tread water using 2 different kicks
- Front and back crawl, elementary backstroke, breaststroke, sidestroke and butterfly
- Flutter and dolphin kicks on back

LEVEL 5 STROKE REFINEMENT

Provides further coordination and refinement of strokes.

- Shallow-angle dive from the side then glide and begin a front stroke
- Tuck and pike surface dives, submerge completely
- Front flip turn and backstroke flip turn while swimming
- Front and back crawl, elementary backstroke, breaststroke, sidestroke and butterfly
- Sculling

TO BETTER PLACE YOUR CHILD in the American Red Cross Learn to Swim Program, please review these lists of skills taught in each progress level. These partial lists are skills taught in the course and required for completion of the level.

MORNING SWIM LESSONS: VALLEY VIEW AQUATIC CENTER

DAYS	Tuesday – Friday
DATES	Session 1: June 11 – 21 *Session 2: June 25 – July 12 Session 3: July 16 – 26
LOCATION	Valley View Aquatic Center
FEES	Pre-School 1 & 2: \$47 Levels 1 – 5: \$45

***No classes July 1 – 5 | All classes are 30 minutes in length**

Pre-School 1	8:30	9:10	9:50	10:30
Session 1	9371	9346	9370	9329
Session 2	9394	9395	9396	9397
Session 3	9393	9318	9359	9340
Pre-School 2	8:30	9:10	9:50	10:30
Session 1	9356	9345	9353	9350
Session 2	9398	9399	9400	9401
Session 3	9321	9323	9365	9331
Level 1	8:30	9:10	9:50	10:30
Session 1	9337	9362	9326	9357
Session 2	9373	9374	9375	9376
Session 3	9343	9344	9328	9361
Level 2	8:30	9:10	9:50	10:30
Session 1	9332	9330	9369	9352
Session 2	9377	9378	9379	9380
Session 3	9360	9338	9366	9347
Level 3	8:30	9:10	9:50	10:30
Session 1	9354	9325	9319	9333
Session 2	9386	9387	9388	9389
Session 3	9341	9364	9363	9320
Level 4	8:30	9:10	9:50	10:30
Session 1	9327	9336	9367	9355
Session 2	9390	N/A	9391	9392
Session 3	9349	9358	9335	9368
Level 5	8:30	9:10	9:50	10:30
Session 1	9342	9324	N/A	9322
Session 2	9381	N/A	9382	N/A
Session 3	9334	9339	N/A	N/A

EVENING SWIM LESSONS: HOLIDAY AQUATIC CENTER

DAYS	Monday – Thursday
DATES	Session 1: June 10 – 20 *Session 2: June 24 – July 11 Session 3: July 15 – 25
LOCATION	Holiday Park Aquatic Center
FEES	Pre-School 1 & 2: \$47 Levels 1 – 5: \$45

Pre-School 1	6:15	6:50	7:25	8:00
Session 1	9268	9266	N/A	N/A
Session 2	9314	9315	N/A	N/A
Session 3	9290	9297	N/A	N/A
Pre-School 2	6:15	6:50	7:25	8:00
Session 1	9277	9298	N/A	N/A
Session 2	9316	9317	N/A	N/A
Session 3	9295	9299	N/A	N/A
Level 1	6:15	6:50	7:25	8:00
Session 1	N/A	9279	9283	9300
Session 2	N/A	9302	9301	9303
Session 3	N/A	9270	9275	9274
Level 2	6:15	6:50	7:25	8:00
Session 1	N/A	9286	9289	9278
Session 2	N/A	9304	9284	9306
Session 3	N/A	9281	9305	9296
Level 3	6:15	6:50	7:25	8:00
Session 1	N/A	9267	9285	9269
Session 2	N/A	9307	9309	9308
Session 3	N/A	9276	9265s	9280
Level 4	6:15	6:50	7:25	8:00
Session 1	N/A	9282	N/A	9271
Session 2	N/A	9310	9311	9312
Session 3	N/A	N/A	9288	9272
Level 5	6:15	6:50	7:25	8:00
Session 1	N/A	N/A	9273	9287
Session 2	N/A	N/A	N/A	9313
Session 3	N/A	9291	N/A	9293

Remember:

Please refrain from registering your child for multiple sessions assuming they will advance to the next swim level for the following session. Changes to registrations once processed are charged a \$5 processing fee, and if the class you need is full, your child will not be able to join that class.

P62 For more information visit www.wdm.iowa.gov/ParksAndRec | **222.3444**

Questions Please call **222.3444**

Account Primary Contact

First Name	Last Name
Birthdate	Phone
Mailing Street Address	Email
City, State, Zip	Card number / / exp. date
CVC	Visa, Mastercard, or Discover (Circle one)

WDM Parks & Recreation Waiver And Release

In consideration of my own or my child's participation in the Parks & Recreation (hereinafter referred to as "P&R") program or activity through the City of West Des Moines, Iowa (hereinafter referred to as "City"), we hereby release the City, its officials, employees, representatives, and agents from any and all accidents, injuries, damages, or losses received by my child or by myself through the P&R program that have not been caused by negligence attributable to the City. I also agree and acknowledge that the City is not responsible for any intentional or reckless actions of the City's officials, employees, representatives, and agents since those actions are the sole conduct of the responsible individual(s). I further agree and acknowledge that this release of liability is full, complete, and comprehensive, and it covers all accidents, injuries, damages, or losses, known or unknown, and any and all costs related thereto arising out of or otherwise related to my child's participation or my own participation in programs or activities, and that this release is binding upon our heirs, successors, and assigns.

We certify that my child and or myself has received a proper physical examination within the past year and that we are physically able to participate in all P&R activities. We understand that it is our obligation to timely inform P&R of any restrictions or limitations regarding our physical abilities. We also understand that it is our obligation to follow all regulations and rules set forth by P&R in the performance of the activities. We hereby release, indemnify, and hold harmless the City, its officials, employees, representatives, and agents from any and all claims, settlements, and judgments, including all reasonable investigative fees, attorney's fees, and court costs for any injury, damage, or loss, which is due to or arises in whole or in part due to negligent, reckless, or intentional actions taken by my child or by myself.

Participant First Name	Participant Last Name	Birthdate	Activity	Course ID	Fee

Please make checks payable to the City of West Des Moines

MAIL to: WDM Parks & Recreation • P.O. Box 65320 • West Des Moines, IA 50265

DROP OFF this form with your payment at the Parks & Recreation Administration Office
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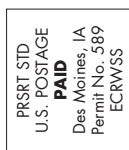
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WDM Parks & Recreation registration form



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SHELTER RENTAL REQUESTS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE!

If you have ever had to call us to find out if or when a park shelter is open for reservation, you will most certainly like the new online reservation feature we have just released. You can now fully see when a shelter is available for rental during the April 15 to October 15 rental season. Not only that, you can take your rental reservation a step further and submit an online request to us. First, start your reservation at www.wdm.iowa.gov/ShelterRental. You can use filter options to choose the shelter that best fits your needs. Then you complete all of the details of your reservation, pay with your credit card, and submit your request for approval. We will then approve your request and send you a final contract via email. That's it! Your reservation is set!

Of course, we will still gladly help you set up a reservation over the phone as well. You can call us at 515-222-3444 any weekday between 8am and 5pm to create your shelter reservation. And we are always glad to see customers when they set up a reservation in-person at our Administrative Office in WDM City Hall.

Shelter Name	Rentable Times	Rental Fee
American Legion Park Shelter	7am-10:30pm	\$10/hour 4 hour min.
Brookview Park Shelter**	7am-10:30pm*	\$10/hour 4 hour min.
Crossroads Park Shelter**	7am-10:30pm	\$10/hour 4 hour min.
Fairmeadows Park Shelter	7am-10:30pm	\$10/hour 4 hour min.
Pearson Park Shelter	7am-10:30pm	\$10/hour 4 hour min.
Raccoon River Park Biddle Shelter	7am-10:30pm	\$10/hour 4 hour min.
Raccoon River Park Coneflower Shelters (A, B, C)	7am-10:30pm	\$10/hour 4 hour min.
Valley View Park Shelter	7am-10:30pm	\$10/hour 4 hour min.

*During the school year, rental is limited to Fridays after 4pm and weekends.

**Alcohol is not permitted due to proximity to a school.